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Only Way To End Deadlock

TEXT OF LETTER TO VICEROY

BOMBAY, March 28.

Hundred and twelve Editors representing different shades of political opinion in the country addressed a letter to the Viceroy on January 24, last inviting "His Excellency's attention to the existence of widespread discontent in the country and the distrust of British intentions" and urging the release of Mahatma Gandhi and other political leaders and taking such other action as may be necessary to enable all parties to make their contribution towards the ending of the deadlock".

Releasing the letter to the Press, Mr. S. A. Brelvi, Editor "Bombay Chronicle", has issued the following statement:

'I am releasing to the press a letter that was addressed, on 24th January 1944, to His Excellency the Viceroy, by 112 editors of newspapers of the country. Some correspondence passed on the subject between the Private Secretary to the Viceroy and myself and the signatories were asked by the Viceroy to await his address to the legislature on 17th February last. That address has been delivered. As subsequent events have shown, it has not helped to end the present political deadlock and the need for action in accordance with the suggestions made in the editors' letter is as urgent as it was when the letter was sent to the Viceroy. The following is the text of the letter:

"WIDESPREAD DISCONTENT"

"We, the undersigned editors of the newspapers, drawn from different parts of the country and representing different shades of political opinion, feel it incumbent on us to invite your Excellency's pointed attention to the existence of widespread discontent in the country and distrust of British intentions. The continuance of the political deadlock and the unparalleled misery into which certain parts of the country have been plunged by economic distress and shortage of food constitute a serious menace to the internal peace and the security of the country. We feel that everything possible should be done by all parties concerned to resolve the political deadlock; and, for the better defence of India, such a step cannot be further delayed. While offering our fullest co-operation towards the achievement of the above end, we strongly urge on the Government the imperative need for releasing Mahatma Gandhi and other political leaders and taking such other action as may be necessary to enable all parties to make their contribution towards the ending of the deadlock and the establishment of a representative National Government.

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H. Dastur, Editor, "Parsi Sansar", Karachi; Rukmani Lalwani, Editor, "Karachi Daily", Karachi; V. S. Venkataraman, Editor, "New India," Nagpur.—A. P.

INDIA BUYS 500 TONS OF SILVER

TEHERAN, March 28: Five hundred tons of silver, approximating sixteen million ounzes, sold through the Iran National Bank to the Indian Government have been delivered to representative authorities and have been despatched for India.—Reuter.

NAZI BOMBERS OVER ENGLAND

Eleven Enemy Aircraft Destroyed

LONDON, March 28: An Air Ministry Communique states: "Last night aircraft in some strength flew over west and south-west of England and South Wales. There was also slight activity over the South-east coast. Bombs were dropped at a number of points causing some damage and casualties.

Eleven enemy aircraft were destroyed."

28 NAZI PLANES DESTROYED

More than 500 "Flying Fortresses" and "Liberators" attacked nine aerodromes in Southern and the Central France yesterday and marshalling yards at Tours.

Thirty-eight German planes were destroyed including three on ground. Six American bombers and 15 fighters are missing.—Reuter.

CHURCHILL HAS NO TRUCK WITH WAR OFFICE PUBLICATION

"Eighth Army" Under Fire In House Of Commons

WESTMINSTER, March 28: Mr. Churchill, in declining to publish despatches from Eighth Army Commanders as suggested in the Commons today following criticism of three British Generals in the booklet "Eighth Army", declared: "I certainly do not accept responsibility for anything in this particular publication."

Capt. Frederick Bellenger, Labour said that it was highly improper that Generals should be criticised by the War Office without the public having an opportunity of reading their despatches.

Sir Ralph Glyn, Conservative, pointed out that Generals had no other means of stating officially their point of view.

Mr. Churchill replied: "The passages referring to the particular changes in Command were not written in any controversial style and in my opinion do not in any way alter the answer I gave against publishing the despatches in time, since they do not reflect the officers concerned in any manner which would require a further official statement. If it were pressed for, of course I should make a further statement and undoubtedly I should be ready to state the reasons why I made certain changes but I should deprecate it in the interests of all concerned."

THREE NAZI ATTACKS REPULSED

Mediterranean Allied Force Advance Headquarters March 28:—To-day's Communique states: "LAND:—Three small attacks against our positions in the Fifth Army Allied bridgehead were repulsed as was an attack against French troops on the main front.

AIR: Yesterday railway bridges at Pogglbonsin Marsciano, and Sette Bagni were attacked by medium bombers of the Tactical Air Force. Airfields at Rimini and Forli and enemy shipping on the Dalmatian coast and off the west coast of Italy were attacked by fighter bombers. Two enemy aircraft were destroyed. Three of ours are missing.—

BATTLE FOR CASSINO

From Reuter's Special Correspondent:—

Last week's raging battle at Cassino has given way to artillery counter-blasting and occasional patrol clashes. The German-held Hotels Continental and Desroses were targets for heavy Allied gunfire preventing German tanks from coming out of their hideouts in the Hotels' lobby. Allied shells blew up ammunition dump south of the town.—

BR. PRISONERS WHO ESCAPED FROM CAPTIVITY

LONDON, March 28: From Reuter's military correspondent:—Some six weeks ago it was reported from Italy that five British prisoners, who had escaped from captivity, had been sentenced to death by the German authorities. The British Government caused enquiries to be made through the Protecting Power, Switzerland, and has just received a reply from the German Government that the story is completely devoid of foundation.—Reuter.

Churchill Admits It

LONDON, March 28

Mr. Churchill stated in the Commons to-day "I certainly have not concealed my disappointment that progress has not been quicker" when questioned about the operations at Cassino and other Italian fronts. He added amid laughter "I hope that the admission will give satisfaction to you."

Mr. Churchill was replying to Mr. Edgar Granville (Independent) who after being told that Mr. Churchill had no statement to make asked "will you bear in mind that you said on Sunday night that the British people can take it and that they want to be told of our setbacks as well as our successes."

Mr. Churchill replied "I think they are not denied a clear view of the position which exists in Italy but I don't think there is any particular advantage in going into all the details because that would be very helpful to the enemy."—Reuter.

NO SUCH REQUEST TO MOSCOW

Commons Echo Of Demand Of Removal Of Axis Diplomats From Eire

WESTMINSTER, March 28: Mr. Anthony Eden, Foreign Secretary replied "No" when asked in Parliament today if, having supported the United States' demand for the removal of German and Japanese representatives in Eire, he would now make a similar request to the Soviet Government in Moscow for the removal of the Japanese Minister there.

The questioner, Mr. John Beattie, Labour member for West Belfast also asked that if such a request would also be made to Portugal, Spain, Turkey, Sweden, Switzerland and all other countries where there are Axis ministers in residence.

Mr. Eden added: "Considerations which applied in the case of Eire do not apply in the cases of other countries mentioned in Mr. Beattie's question."

EIRE AND COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENTS

Mr. Churchill stated that the British Commonwealth was in full agreement with the United States' approach to Eire on the subject of Axis diplomats in Dublin.

I. A. F. ON BURMA FRONT

Air Marshal Sir John Baldwin and Air Commodore A. Gray about to take a ride round an airfield. S|Ldr. Mehar Sing, Officer Commanding a fighter squadron of the Indian Air Force, at the wheel.

Willkie Warns United Nations

FAILURE TO PURSUE ANNOUNCED WAR AIMS MAY CAUSE LOSS OF PRESTIGE

MILWAUKEE, March 28

Mr. Wendell Willkie in a speech during his presidential campaign here said:

"One of the tragedies of this war is that we have lost our sense of direction at home and abroad, we are bogged down internationally and at home we are failing to establish and maintain the purposes for which we have declared that we are fighting. Either failure is reflected in the other."

Mr. Willkie asserted that failure to pursue the announced purposes "lessens the nations' enthusiasm for the war, causes loss of prestige around the world and takes the moral fervour of the war."

In the Far East the peoples were concerned whether the Atlantic Charter would also be applied to the Pacific. "Mr. Cordell Hull said the policies would be applied around the world but I am living in the hopes that they will be applied to some place in the world" Mr. Willkie said.—Reuter.

Demand For Leaders' Release

MADRAS, March 27.

The growing desire to end the present Indian deadlock and autocratic rule has found expression in a constitutional memoranudm prepared by sympathetic British friends both inside Parliament and outside England.

Installation of an efficient Government for the interim period and effective transference of power yet not contemplating great constitutional changes, are the objects of the memorandum. It reflects impatience with the intransigence and obduracy of Government's policy of keeping Congress leaders in prison and emphasises their release as 'sine qua non' for working the scheme.

The Memorandum envisages vesting of all portfolios in the Executive Council Members the Governor-General acting as the constitutional head of a popular Government and having freedom to exercise special powers only in respect of the armed forces and States relations.

DETENU & JAIL WARDER MEET DEATH IN BERHAMPORE PRISON

Parliamentary Secretary's Reply In Bengal Assembly

CALCUTTA, March 28: A jail warder and a criminal security prisoner met their deaths recently in the Berhampore Special Jail in circumstances which are now the subject of judicial proceedings. This was revealed by Khan Bahadur Mohammad Ali, Parliamentary Secretary, replying to a question in the Bengal Legislative Assembly today. As the matter was 'sub-judice' he declined to say anything regarding the circumstances leading to the death of the security prisoner.

The Khan Bahadur, however, replied in the affirmative when asked whether any case had been started against any one in this connection or any enquiry had been made.—A. P.

Two Constables Arrested

GAUHATI, March 28.

Two police constables under the Gauhati Sadar P. S. have been arrested here. It is alleged that the accused forcibly took out a sum of Rs. 4,000 from one businessman of Barpeta who came to Gauhati. About Rs. 2,100 have been recovered from the possession of one of the arrested constables.—United Press.

RELEASED ON GROUNDS OF HEALTH

TEZPUR, March 28.

Mr. Mahikanta Das, Secretary, Tezpur District Congress Committee, and Mr. Sharbeswar Baruah, M.L.A., of North Lakhimpur, who were detained as Security Prisoners in connection with the August disturbances, have been released from the Tezpur Jail on the ground of health. Orders have been served asking them to reside within their respective municipal areas.—United Press.

CALCUTTA, March 28: On a request from the University of Delhi, the Calcutta University has agreed to conduct the Intermediate Examination of a candidate who is an externee from Delhi.—United Press.

STOP PRESS

CHURCHILL SEES KING

LONDON, March 28: The Prime Minister, Mr. Churchill, was received in audieice by the King at Buckingham Palace today and remained to lunch

RUSSIANS CAPTURE NIKOLAIEV

MOSCOW, March 29: The Russians have captured Nikolaiev.

ANOTHER VICHY OFFICIAL ON TRIAL

ALGIERS, March 28: From Reuter's Special Correspondent:—The trial of the Former Vichy officer, Lt.-Col. Pierre Cristofini on a charge of treason opened here to-day.

CHURCHILL'S GOVT. SUFFERS DEFEAT

LONDON, March 28: Government were defeated in the House of Commons to-night by one vote on the subject of equal pay for women and men teachers. This was during the Committee Stage of the Education Bill.—Reuter.

DEFRAUDED GOVT. OF FOUR LAKHS?

Military Officer And Contractors On Trial

POONA, March 28: A case in which a military official of the rank of a captain and a firm of contractors and some merchants are facing trial before the Special Tribunal, constituted under an Ordinance by the Government of India to try cases of corruption and bribery by public servants and frauds on Government, opened here yesterday.

The eight accused in the case are: Capt. H. J. Hill-Murray, Sheroo K. Irani, Mrs. Sherin Rashid, M. K. Irani, N. Amtalai, B. K. Gandhi M. P. Vora and M. M. Shah. They are charged with having played a fraud on the Government of India to the extent of over Rs. 4,00,000 by supplying vegetable ghee mixed with some percentage of pure ghee instead of pure ghee to the Poona supply depots towards the end of 1942.

The prosecution alleged that the first accused who in September 1942 was in charge of the Poona Supply Depot made arrangements for purchasing ghee and invited tenders. The second accused submitted a tender which was accepted by higher military authorities on the recommendation of the first accused. The second accused then supplied 25 tons of ghee at the rate quoted in the tender.

Subsequently the second third and fourth accused supplied three consignments of 100 tons each but at rates higher than those quoted in the tender, receiving from the Government in all Rs. 8,00,000. The contractors thus realised Rs. 1/2 per lb. The prosecution alleges that the ghee supplied by these people was vegetable ghee and not pur ghee and considering that the rate of vegetable ghee was near about eight annas a lb. the Government had been defrauded to the extent of over Rs 4,00,000.—A. P.

Degree Training For I. A. M. C. Officers

NEW DELHI, March 28: The Medical Council of India passed a resolution as recommended by its Executive Committee that the officers of the Indian Army Medical Corps, who received three months' intensive training at the Army Medical Training Centre and passed the examination, should be required to have eighteen months' further training in clinics for obtaining University degree.—A.P.

Heavy Fighting In Somra Hills Sector

JAP ACTIVITY WEST OF MAYU; ALLIED BOMBERS DAMAGE MANIPUR RIVER BRIDGE

NEW DELHI, March 28.

West of the Mayu range, there has been some enemy patrol activity during the last 24 hours, says to-day's Allied war communique. East of the range and in the area of the west tunnel, our operations continue and the Japanese have suffered heavy casualties in abortive counter-attacks.

On the North Burma front, a Chinese unit attacked and occupied Hkawnglawyang after killing a number of Japanese soldiers and four officers. Chinese troops are astride the upper Mogaung valley road in contact with the enemy immediately south of Hkawnglawyang.

In the Kaladan valley, our patrols have contacted small bodies of the enemy.

Operations to clear the Tiddim-Imphal Road continue satisfactorily. In the vicinity of the Palel-Tamu road, our troops drove a small party of the enemy from one position. There has been slight enemy artillery activity, and an enemy attack in this area was repulsed.

In the Ukhrul area, in the Somra Hills, Japanese pressure has increased. Heavy fighting is in progress in which the Japanese are making determined attacks.

Heavy bombers of the strategic air force, Eastern Air Command, in daylight on 27th March attacked dumps in the Kamaing area.

Fighters of the Tactical Air Force maintained their offensive against enemy positions and communications in the Arakan, Mayu and Kaladan areas making one highly successful attack on enemy positions south-west of Buthidaung.

Dive-bombers, fighter-bombers and fighters on the 26th and 27th March, attacking communications and other objectives in the Chin Hills, Chindwin Valley and North-West Burma scored three direct hits on Hpaungzeik bridge and heavily damaged Manipur river bridge.

Medium bombers, fighter-bombers, dive-bombers and fighters on 26th of March concentrated on communications in North Burma. They scored direct hit on a number of bridges and west down to low level to shoot up the main street in Kamain.

From all these operations, one Allied aircraft is missing.—A. P.

Stilwell's Leap-Frog Strategy

By K. Gopalan, 'Associated Press of India' War Correspondent, with the American-Chinese Forces, Jambubum Area, March 26:—After five days' hand to hand fighting, General Stilwell's Chinese troops cleared the area upto Hkawnglawyang about six miles south of Jambubum—the threshold of Mogaung Valley. The Japanese left 250 in dead and a large quantity of materials, including several heavy anti-tank guns and Bren gun carriers. Decimated enemy remnants are retreating into the hills west of the main road with the Chinese in hot pursuit. Meanwhile, the Chinese and American forces cutting along jungle trails on the left flank of the road surrounded Shaduzup six miles farther south from two sides and fighting is now going on just outside Shaduzup. This move marks another step in leap-frog strategy of General Stilwell, and the retreating enemy columns may find themselves again cut off in both directions. After losing sight of Jambubum, the scattered Japanese Eighteenth Division decided to make a stand north of Hkawnglawyang and with perhaps some replacements dug themselves in on both sides of the main road. Severe fighting developed on March 22, when our tanks smashed right through enemy lines too far ahead of infantry. When the enemy found the infantry lagging behind, they opened machine-gun fire on the infantry from all sides, while anti-tank guns took tanks by surprise. The tanks rallied bravely. Meanwhile, Chinese troops held on grimly to their positions and thrust back repeated counter-attacks.

Japs Worsted In Air Combat

NEW DELHI, March 28: An American lightning (P-38) squadron of Sir John Baldwin's Third Tactical Air Force, Eastern Air Command, scored a smashing victory in its first big air combat with a mixed force of Japanese fighters on the Burma front on Saturday when, for a loss of two pilots they shot down seven Japs, probably destroyed another two and damaged three, writes an R.A.F. observer. On the ground they destroyed two and probably destroyed three more.

This resounding success follows the American commandos recent devastating strafing of Jap airfields at Shwebo, Anisakan and Onbauk on March 18, when they wiped out 46 aircraft in one series of sweeps.—A.P.

WHEN ALLIES INVADE EUROPE

LONDON, March 28: The War Office Financial Secretary Mr. Arthur Henderson referring to-day to the coming Allied assault in Europe said: "Hands of the clock are turning. They have reached five minutes to twelve. When twelve o'clock strikes, th Allied armies of liberation will move forward to what certainly will be their greatest ordeal and to what we hope and believe will bring them their greatest triumph".—Reuter.

SECOND AUSTRALIAN ARMY'S NEW CHIEF

CANBERRA, March 28: The Commonwealth Army Minister Mr. Francis M Orde to-day announced the appointment of Lieut.-General Sir Leslie James Morshead General Officer Commanding the Ninth Division A. I. F. since 1941, to command the second Australian army and temporarily to command headquarters New Guinea force.—Reuter.

"NEW YORK TIMES'" ASSURANCE

NEW YORK, March 28

An eatorial in the "New York Times" commenting on the Japanese drive against India says: "In the military sense the capture of Imphal would not be so serious for the Allies.

It seems next to impossible for the enemy to launch a full fledged invasion of India from this wild country.—A. P.

BIGGER SOVIET HOLD ON PRUTH

Thunder Of Red Army Guns Can Be Heard At Manstein's Headquarters

MOSCOW, March 28.

From Reuter's special correspondent:—The thunder of Soviet guns can now be heard in Jassy, the last known location of von Manstein's headquarters 10 miles inside Rumania.

The Red Army is rapidly widening its hold on the left bank of the Pruth and the offensive is growing in force and tempo.

The latest frontline dispatches say that the German command is powerless to arrest the mighty Soviet pressure. There was a great slaughter of German and Rumanian troops on the banks of the Pruth in the region of Sculiani as Soviet guns fired into a force retreating from Balti, who expected the Red Army behind them and not in front of them. Many were drowned in the Pruth and others were found dead on the low marshy right bank. The advancing Soviet forces have already killed the first of Hitler's soldiers to fall on Axis territory and the retreating troops are finding that there is no more salvation on the Pruth than they found on the Dnieper, the Bug and the Dniester.

TOWARDS CARPATHIANS

Marshal Zhukov's right wing forces advancing along both sides of the Upper Dniester are within striking ditance of the roads leeading over the Carpathian passes into the Hungarian plain.

Sharp house to house battles are today being fought in Nikolaiev, the Black Sea naval base at the mouth of the river Bug. Soviet storm troops who penetrated into the outskirts are driving for the heart of city and the position of the German garrison is rapidly deteriorating.

On Marshal Zhukov's First Ukrainian Front things could not be going better with the last Germans and Rumanians being hurled out of Bessarabia and the new advance into Bukovina is proceeding on a swiftly broadening front.—Reuter.

Why They Voted For Government

NEW DELHI, March 28

Pt. Nilkantha Das and Mr. A. M. Dam have issued the following statement:—

Yesterday we supported the motion for consideration of the Finance Bill, and we feel that the country should know why we did so. Total refusal of supplies can only be made on a political issue. The political issue in the case of the Muslim League was to give a reply to the recent Viceregal statement regarding geographical unity of India. Though the Congress is opposed to the League creed of "Divide and Quit" still the Congress played into the hands of the Muslim League. The country knows to its cost the baneful effects of this policy in regard to the Khilafat and the Communal Award, and the rejection of the Federation. We were unable to follow the Congress in its pursuit of its old policy with regard to the communal question and, therefore, we could not vote for the rejection of the motion for consideration of the Finance Bill.

Bhai Parmanand and Mr. Jamnadas Mehta also agree to the above statement.—A. P.

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LATEST COMMERCIAL

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Dr. Champaklal Tribhovandas Mehta, residing at 52, Navroji Street, Thakordwar, is doing service to the country by effectively treating lunatic cases with successful results. Numerous certificates and medals he has received are testimonials of the wonderful effects of his treatment and he can really claim to be an expert in the treatment and cure of lunatics.

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JOURNALISTS MUST GET LIVING WAGES, PROVIDENT FUND AND INSURANCE

Viswanatha Iyer Scouts Idea Of Legislation And Says Indian Proprietors' Good Sense Will Do It

An optimistic picture of the future condition of working journalists was drawn by Mr. K. P. Viswanatha Iyer, assistant editor of "The Hindu', Madras, speaking at the Journalists' Association of India, on Tuesday evening.

Speaking of the organisation of working journalists, Mr. Iyer said that in Madras attempts had been made to form an Association of Journalists as early as 1928.

The conditions of journalists in Madras was unsatisfactory. Junior reporters and sub-editors were often getting salaries as low as Rs. 60. He knew of cases of sub-editors who had put in 10 years' service and were getting only Rs. 100.

The Tamil Nad Journalists' Federation had recently appointed a committee to go into the question. The committee had found that on the basis of pre-war prices a junior journalist needed at least Rs. 100 allowing for a family of two adults and a child. Besides the question of living, a working journalist had some special needs if he were to discharge his duties efficiently. He needed a small library of books, a cuttings file and some essential journals. Even if some of his general requirements in this direction could be provided by newspaper offices and associations, they could not arrange for his specialised subjects.

In his view another professional need of a journalist was travel. There were journalists who had never been outside their towns. If they were to be the mentors of unity and handle questions of all-India importance they would have to go abroad and form many contacts.

MINIMUM NEEDS

At present, however, journalists were a class of hard worked and impoverished public servants. Even assuming that journalism was a career of service and not a commercial one, a journalist must have a minimum scale of pay some prospects of meeting his increased expenditure as he grew older, a provident fund and insurance scheme to provide for emergencies and at the end of a career of service he should not be thrown on the street, to live on the earnings of his children or on charity.

Bearing this in mind, the Tamil Nad Federation had recommended that even a journalist engaged on routine jobs must start on Rs. 100 and retire on a salary of Rs. 400. This was necessary if a society were to remunerate his services equitably and justly.

At the same time they were prepared to be reasonable if a proprietor could show that on the profits he was making he could not afford such salaries.

The lecturer pointed out that in Britain the salaries of journalists constituted from 13 to 25 per cent of the total gross revenue of a newspaper. Allowing for differences in conditions 12 per cent would be fair in India and would leave a good margin of profit to proprietors.

Answering questions the speaker scouted the idea of seeking legislative protection. He had great faith in the good sense and reasonableness of newspaper proprietors.

He thought that Indian language papers had a brighter future.

Mr. K. A. Chidambaram welcomed Mr Iyer and Mr. T. M. Ghate proposed a vote of thanks.

Vishwanath Iyer On Ethics Of Socio-Economic Planning

BOMBAY, Monday.

At the Sunderbai Hall this evening Mr. K. P. Viswanatha Iyer, Assistant Editor, "The Hindu", Madras, delivered the first of a series of lectures arranged under the Madon Memorial Trust. The subject of the lecture was "the aims and means of economic planning." Sir Purshotamdas Thakurdas presided.

India said Mr. Iyer, should keep before her three aims,—efficiency of production, equity in distribution and freedom for self-expression or self-realisation. The ideal in production was not the quantitative maximum; the relentless operation of the "profit drive" had, as Marx had shown, resulted in untold misery with vast production. Production should be so organised that the marginal utility and the consumers' surplus to the society at large and not to the individual, were at the maximum level.

The second principle, viz: equity in distribution was ancillary to and indeed flowed from the first. If distribution was inequitable, production could not be at the optimum

FREEDOM FOR SELF-EXPRESSION

The third requisite of a sound economy was freedom for self-expression or self-realisation. Everyone the capitalist no less than the worker, required a medium for self-expression and facilities for it. Society must provide it. Equality of opportunity for all citizens to experience that exaltation of spirit which followed the achievement of work willingly and earnestly undertaken must be ensured. As George Souls and Prof. Nef had shown, no economy bereft of the higher values could hope to endure.

In the course of his final remarks Sir Purshotamdas expressed his satisfaction at the "Economist" having withdrawn its criticism regarding the 15-year plan. He further made it clear that a national Government was the condition precedent to the successful execution of the plan. By a national Government, the speaker meant a Government that was responsible to the Legislature, and hence indirectly to the people.

Mr. Pranlal Devkaran Nanji thanking the lecturer and the chairman observed that the 15-year plan had brought a ray of hope to the masses inasmuch as it aimed at raising their standard of living.

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Funeral Procession For Monkey!

(From Our Correspondent.)
NAGPUR, March 27.

About 1,000 persons participated in the funeral procession of a red-faced monkey who after being killed for his menacing activities, was taken in a procession on a cycle rikshaw to the accompaniment of lights and band. The monkey in question is stated to have belonged to a Madariwala, which for sometimes past had been at large in Itwari, a business centre, making depredations in house attacking children and adults. He is stated to have inflicted injuries on about a dozen persons including two seriously. Last evening, as he entered a house, he was locked from outside and speared to death.

JEWISH TRIBUTE TO KASTURBA

The "Jewish Advocate" of Bombay writes:—

The tiny Jewish community in India adds its little voice to the nation-wide sympathy extended to Mahatma Gandhi on the death in detention, of Kasturba, his devoted wife.

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In the name of the Jewish community in India we offer our heart-felt condolence to Mahatma Gandhi and his family.

Freedom Group's Appeal For Kasturba Memorial Fund

P. A. Wadia, President, Freedom Group in an appeal to the public says that as usual the Group is rendering its help to collect donations for the Kasturba Memorial Fund to further the cause of Indian women. Rupees 75 lakhs will have to be collected before Gandhiji's 75th birthday.

The Public are therefore requested to expedite their contributions to Mr. M. J. Gazdar at Bombay House, Bruce Street, Fort.

Farewell Address To Mrs. Butterfield

A function was arranged on Sunday evening at Elphinstone Road, when a farewell address was presented to Mrs. M. W. F. Butterfield, President, Local Welfare Centre (Bombay) on her retirement, by the Elphinstone Road Chawls and Workmen's Gymnasium. Mrs. Nichols presided.

ALL-INDORE STATE KISAN SABHA

(From Our Correspondent.)

INDORE, (By Mail): A conference of the representatives of Indore District Kisan Sabha, held at Gawli Palasia (a village near Mhow Cantt.) resolved to organise an All-Indore State Kisan Sabha for the purpose of their social, economic, and cultural progress and for helping them in redressing their difficulties. An Organising Committee of six persons has been appointed with the right to co-opt three more members.

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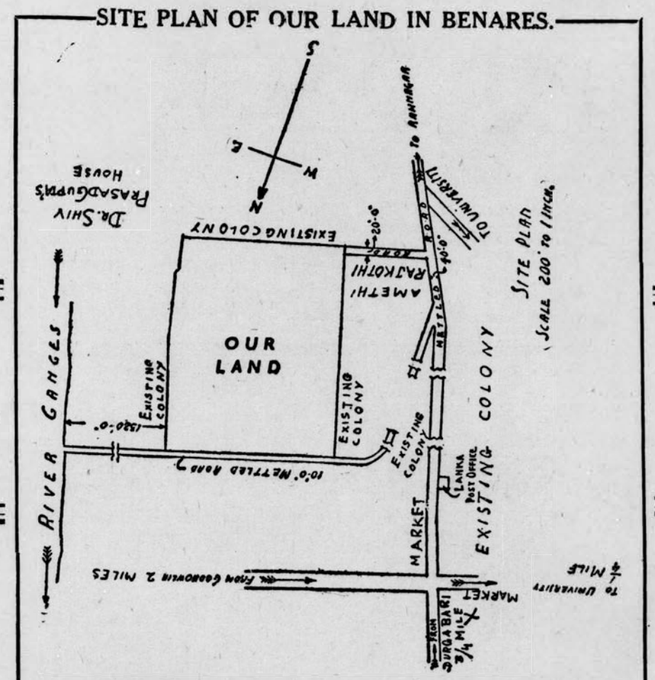

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Hightide: 2-59, 15-51, Lowtide 9-07, 21-45.
Municipal Standing Committee 2-30 p.m. (B. T.)

To-day's Engagements

B. F. MADON MEMORIAL LECTURES Second lecture by Mr. K. P. Vishwanathan Iyer on "The Bombay Plan; Criticisms Considered" at Sunderabai Hall to-day (Wednesday) at 6 p.m. Rev. John Mackenzie presiding.

GOVERNMENT FELLOWSHIP LECTURE: Dr. J. N. Unvala, Ph.D. will deliver his second lecture of the series today at the K R Cama Oriental Institute Library Hall at 6 p.m. (S T) on "Excavations at Susa and in its Environs with a Special Mention of Outstanding Finds."

GRANT COLLEGE MEDICAL SOCIETY: A clinical meeting of the Society will be held at Grant Medical College Library today at 4 p.m. (S.T.)

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Buestion and Answer Meeting, Jehangir Wadia Building, Flora Fountain, today 6-15 p.m.

DASTUR BODE'S LECTURE: Today (Wednesday) at 6-15 p.m. at Mazdaznan Hall, Opp. Churchgate Station, Dastur Bode will deliver a lecture on "The Significance of the Ardibehesht Yasht and the Law of Suggestion."

LECTURE ON RAMAYAN: Mahamandleshwar, Swami Shri Vidyanandji Maharaj will arrive in Bombay to-day and will speak on 'Ramayan" at Madhav Baug at 6-30 p.m.

3 ARTS AND ART SOCIETY OF INDIA: Lecture by Fyzee-Rahamin, on "Art and Its Purpose" on Saturday, April 1 at 5 p.m. at the Conference Hall, B E S T, Colaba Causeway, illustrated with rare lantern slides. The Hon. Mr Taunton Adviser to Government will preside.

SIR DORABJI TATA GRADUATE SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK: Sir Radhakrishnan will deliver the Fourth Convocation Address of the Sir Dorabji Tata Graduate School of Social Work on the 10th of April.

ROBERT MONEY SCHOOL
Major-General Robert Cotton Money, the great grandson of the first Robert Money after whom the school was founded paid an unexpected visit to it last week. He was shown round the school premises by the Principal, C. A. Christie and he was considerably impressed and indeed proud to see the permanent monument erected to the memory of his illustrious great grand-father. This is the first time in the history of the school since its foundation in 1836 that a member of the Money family saw it. The Major-General had a son, 21 years of age who was killed in action in 1940 and his father 83 years old is a retired colonel now living in England.

In a message to the boys he wished them good fortune hoping that they would take with them into the world something of the humanitarian spirit which actuated the first Robert Cotton Money. The school observed a half holiday in honour of his visit on Monday.

BASSEIN CATHOLICS AND SOPHIA COLLEGE
Under the auspices of the Bassein Catholic Welfare League, an unusually huge gathering of Catholics from all parts of Bassein collected at Remedy to protest against the action of the Bombay University Senate in respect of Sophia College. Mr. Jos. Alex Dias presided.

The chairman read a message from His Grace the Archbishop which laid strong emphasis on urging on facts which constitute for an open mind, the strongest weapon in the fight for freedom and justice. A protest resolution was passed.

EDWARD REHATSEK BEQUEST: The Edward Rehatsek Bequest authorities distributed Rs. 1,450 last year, out of the Fund income including the following three principal items of Rs. 100 and over:—
Nargol School Rs. 300; Anjuman-i-Islam, Bombay Rs. 200; The Bombay Education Society, Bombay Rs. 100.

HINDU DEEN DAYA SANGH: The Hindu Deen Daya Sangh secured donations for their Hindu Founding Home Matunga, amounting to Rs. 3,910-7-2 during February 1944. The principal amounts (of sums of Rs. 100 and over) were from the following donors: Rs. 3,125 from High Court in case No. 1512 of 1939 through Ambubhai and Diwanji, solicitors; Rs. 140-7-2 Grant from Accountant-General; Rs. 100 from Tulsidas Gopalji Charities (monthly) and Rs. 100 from Premji Kara Trust (two months)

Dil Pazir

The new item in the programme is that there will be daily Lucky Numbers entrance tickets.
1st prize Rs. 100; 2nd prize Rs. 50; 3rd prize Rs. 25.
The prizes will be declared every night at 12 p.m. on the Cabaret Dance floor. Those who fail to secure them can apply for them in the Dil Pazir Office next morning.
The Dil Pazir Fete is to be opened on Thursday the 6th April at 6 p.m. by H H the Rani Saheba Bhakti Devi of Napal.

Polish Art Exhibition

An idea of what the Polish refugees in India are doing can be had from the Polish Exhibition which is held at the Sir Cowasji Jehangir Hall, Bombay. The exhibition which was opened on Tuesday evening and will last till April 7 is highly instructive. It gives an insight into Poland's national activities, before the war and after. It is a resume in illustrations and models of the various aspects of Polish life and history since the inception of Poland as an independent state after the Great War.

Poland's part in the present war is not forgotten either. The collaboration of the reorganised Polish Army with the Russians in their heroic battles of 1941 against the Germans is also displayed in pictures.

The exhibition is organised under the supervision of the Social Affairs Representative of the Polish Ministry.

The exhibits are the work, mostly of refugees residing in the Kolhapur and Jamnagar Camps for Polish refugees.

Striking among the exhibits are a model of a Cracow wedding, a peasants' hut at Lowiez and a number of specimens of Polish folk art and craft. To-day's programme: Polish folk-songs (gramophone records) 6-30 p.m.; lecture on "Social Achievements in Free Poland" 7 p.m. at the C. J. Hall.

JAIN GURUKUL
The 16th anniversary of Shri Jain Gurukul, Beawar will be celebrated on the 15th, 16th and 17th April 1944 under the presidentship of Rajya Bhooshan Rai Bahadur Seth Kanhya Lalji Bhandari. Following functions are arranged: (1) Newspapers exhibition; (2) Students' debate; (3) Gymnasium; (4) Avadhan Prayog; (5) Drama; (6) Hasya Vinod; (7) Babyshow; (8) Old Boys' Association.

45 BOMBING TRIPS OVER EUROPE

Sukhthankar Who Took Part In R. A. F. Raids Tells Story Of Attack On Essen

Fl.-Lt. S. E. Sukhthankar, the hero of the 45 bombing trips over Nazi-occupied countries in Europe during the present war narrated some of his experiences of "raiding Germany" at the Sunderabai Hall on Tuesday evening. Sir Chimanlal Setalwad presided.

After describing the different stages through which a new recruit to the Air Force had to pass the speaker gave a detailed description of a "bombing night". The crew remained ready by 12 noon. In the "briefing room" they got their instructions, and were told about "the target to-night". The great moment had come. In an instant they would be air-borne, and on their own; the pilot did cock-pit drill, the navigator checked the time. It was the time to take off. The pilot says "Here we go boys". So saying he pushes the throttle forward, and the air-craft is speeding up the runway.

HOW THEY BOMBED ESSEN

Fl.-Lt. Sukhthankar then described how they bombed Essen in Germany. He said that the anti-aircraft fire was extremely heavy. Yet there was a veritable whirlpool of "Lancasters", "Halifaxes", Wellingtons" enemy night-fighters and millions of searchlights over the target. Some of the bombers were caught in the searchlights, but soon the target appeared like a huge bonfire with millions of smaller fires around, through which emerged searchlights galore and "ackack" shells, which looked not unlike a "huge hose of fire." And the most welcome part of it was the home-coming, when the blacked-out aircraft switched on lights and everything homely awaited them at the 'drome.

Sir Chimanlal Setalwad complimented Sukhthankar on his brilliant achievements. He regretted that Indians were not given adequate military training before the war. Indians in the army had however proved their worth, and he saw no reason why they should be kept away from the highest military posts.

VIKRAM MAHOTSAV CELEBRATION IN CITY

Suman And Nepali Receive Awards In Poets Conference

The two days sessions of the All-India Hindi Poets' Conference which met under the presidentship of Ramnaresh Tripathi at Madhav Baug, concluded its proceedings late on Monday night.

The conference was a part of the programme arranged under the auspices of the Marwadi Sammelan, in connection with the celebration of Vikram Mahotsav. Many a prominent Hindi poets from all over India participated.

The poems of Mr. Shiv Mangal Singh "Suman" a young poet from Gwalior, Mr. Nepali, Shrimati Vidyavati 'Kakil' and Subhadra Kumari Chaan were much appreciated by the audience.

Mr. Suman and Mr. Nepali were the recipients of many cash prizes from some of the members from the audience including Mr. Ghansham Das Poddar who gave both the talented poets a cash prize of Rs. 51 each.

Earlier the assembled p[oets] were given a tea party by Mr. [Ra]mpratap Shukla of 'Prabha' a Hindi weekly of Bombay.

Vikram Chair For Nagpur University

(From Our Correspondent.)
NAGPUR, (By Mail.)

The Vikram Anniversary Celebrations at Nagpur were performed with great enthusiasm at the Town Hall with Mr. Justice W. R. Puranik, Vice-Chancellor of the Nagpur University in the chair. The congregation requested the Nagpur Municipality to name the Orange Market Road as the Vikram Road. The Nagpur University was also requested to appoint a Chair after Vikram.

WHAT IS MEDICAL "TREATMENT"?

Suit Against Insurance Company Settled

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Blagden)

Khatizabai, widow of Hussein Esmail Dossa ..... Plaintiff.
vs.
The Bharat Insurance Co. Ltd. ..... Defendants.

This was a suit to recover Rs. 25,000 and interest filed by the widow of the deceased Hussein Esmail Dossa as the nominee of a policy of insurance for that amount effected by her deceased husband with the defendant company.

The defendant company contended by way of defence that the deceased had not disclosed policies of insurance effected by him with other insurance companies in answer to questions in the proposal form, and that in answer to questions put by the medical examiner of the defendant company the deceased had made an untrue statement that he had never been to a medical practitioner for treatment. It was urged that as the accuracy of these statements formed the basis of the policy, the defendant company was entitled to avoid the policy.

Mr. Seervai for the plaintiff argued that what the deceased had taken was medical advice for general overhaul and not medical treatment for any complaint which was what the question related to. It was further argued that disclosure with regard to policies with other companies had been made to the agents of the defendant company and the company must therefore be imputed with knowledge of it.

After the hearing had proceeded for a day, on Counsel for the plaintiff stating to the Court that the matter had been amicably settled, by consent of parties, His Lordship ordered that the suit be dismissed and made no order as to costs.

Mr H. M. Seervai and Mr. H. D. Banaji instructed by Messrs. Nagindas Husseinally & Co., appeared for the plaintiff.

Mr. F. J. Coltman and Mr. K. K. Desai instructed by Messrs. Motichand and Devidas appeared for the defendant company.

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POONA, March 28: The following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches recorded at eight hours on March 24, 1944:—
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A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

I attribute all my success in life to having always been a quarter of an hour before time.

—Horatio Nelson.

The Bombay Chronicle

EDITORS' WARNING

Elsewhere in this issue we have printed the letter addressed to the Viceroy in January last by 112 editors of newspapers, representing practically all shades of Indian public opinion. The letter is remarkable inasmuch as it marks a unanimity of views on this matter which has not hitherto been attained by any combination of different political parties. The letter states that the continuance of the political deadlock and the unparalleled misery caused by acute scarcity in various parts of the country constitute a serious menace to the peace of the country and that it is the immediate duty of Government to release Gandhiji and other political leaders and take such other steps as may be necessary "to enable all parties to make their contribution towards the ending of the deadlock and the establishment of a representative National Government." This is perhaps the first time in India when so many editors of newspapers combine to demand the redress of a national grievance and they have done so under a compelling sense of duty to the country. Demands for a solution of the deadlock have been made by numerous responsible bodies and individuals. But as Nawabzada Liaqat Ali Khan observed in the Central Assembly, Government have been "not only irresponsible but irresponsive" to public opinion.

The stereotyped reply to all demands for a representative National Government has been that it is only the absence of agreement among parties that stands in the way of such a Government. The reply would be honest if at least once Government definitely offered to transfer immediately real power to a National Government on the condition that there was agreement among definitely named parties. But there has never been an offer of *immediate* transfer of power. Nawabzada Liaqat Ali was not wrong when he declared that the British Government never really desired the co-operation of the people of this country. The Cripps offer made some promises for the future under certain conditions, carefully kept vague. But it did not include any immediate transfer of power to the people. On the contrary, Sir Stafford repeatedly said that effective control over Defence would not be transferred even if all the parties in the country demanded it. Secondly, the insistence on party agreement would have been fair and honest if the imprisoned Congress leaders were at least allowed to be interviewed by other party leaders. But Government have done nothing of the kind. They have refused even to forward Gandhiji's letter to Mr. Jinnah. Such an attitude is hardly consistent with a desire for party unity. It is rather calculated, whatever the design may be, to isolate Congress from other parties. It is some times objected that, if power is immediately transferred to the people, the Congress, wedded to non-violence, may not wholeheartedly participate in the war. Mr. Bhulabhai Desai, anticipating this objection in his speech in the Assembly, recalled his statement three and half years ago, when he read out the resolution of the Congress Working Committee begging to differ and dissociate itself from the ultimate assertion of non-violence. The Congress then felt, he said, that while we were attacked, it was their duty to defend the country, and in doing so there was no question of preferring one method over another. He pointed out that Congress still maintained that position but rightly added that "Congressmen could co-operate only as free men." The rejection of even the revised Finance Bill by the Assembly by 56 against 45 votes clearly shows that almost all the elected members of the House are prepared to co-operate fully only if they have due control over the supplies voted by them. The Editors' representation, too, voices the feeling in the country as a whole. The menace which they point out will be greater, if it continued to be ignored by Government. It behoves Government to heed their warning betimes.

New Outlook Before Co-operators

Mr. M. R. Masani's presidential address to the Bombay City Co-operative Conference held last week presented the outlines of a new ideology and a new plan of work which should, if followed properly, lead workers in the co-operative movement to their cherished ambition of creating a co-operative commonwealth in our midst. Against the background of capitalist industry and feudal agriculture, according to Mr. Masani the future of the movement lay with producers' co-operatives. So long as production remained in private hands distribution could not be expected, he added, to be either socialized or equitable. Among co-operative and economic thinkers in Europe there is considerable divergence of opinion whether an equalitarian society can be established by treating economic life as organized from the point of view of the consumer or of the producer. In India, with production, whether in agriculture or in industry, still carried on predominantly by the small-scale producer, Mr. Masani's thesis appears, however, to be more acceptable.

Urban co-operators may not be directly interested in questions affecting agricultural production, but, forming as they do an important section of the movement, they can well exert their influence in promoting the introduction of co-operative farming of the type suggested by Mr. Masani. Industrial production falls, however, within the purview of urban co-operation and the setting up of self-governing co-operative workshops on the Chinese model is a task to which co-operators in a city like Bombay may well devote themselves from now onwards. It is all to the good, therefore, that the Conference adopted two resolutions on the subject. The first one called upon bodies working in the field, with the help of those interested in the new programme, to carry out a rapid survey of the possibilities of the starting of co-operatives for various industries and to take early steps for the organization of the artisans and handicraftsmen into co-operative workshops. By another resolution, the Conference urged Government to set up a provincial board for the development of cottage industries and to place substantial allotments at the disposal of the board for granting financial assistance where necessary for the organization and working of the new industrial co-operatives.

While claiming the grant or state aid, both administrative and financial, for the proposed development of industrial co-operatives, the conference expressed the view that their working should be regulated by legislation which allowed a larger measure of initiative and permitted greater freedom of action than were vouchsafed under the existing law which governs the registration and working of co-operative societies. In another resolution, too, the Conference echoed this desire to enjoy more unfettered scope for development and larger freedom from official interference than are possible under a system which has been aptly described as a governmental policy rather than a movement. When the co-operative movement was introduced under official auspices in 1904 its official sponsors expressed the hope that in course of time its complete control would pass into the hands of its own self-governing organizations. That hope has remained unfulfilled till now; and co-operative institutions, whether in the most backward rural areas or among advanced progressive communities such as in the City of Bombay, are subject to the same uniform meticulous control. It is none too early, in the circumstances, for these latter to put forward a demand, as they did at the Conference, that the machinery for the supervision, guidance and control of the co-operative movement in the City should be transferred, forthwith, from the Co-operative Department to an independent non-official federation or representative board.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Battle Of Prestige (?)

Cassino is proving an extremely hard nut to crack. In spite of the great hopes raised by the mammoth air bombardment it was subjected to and its consequent erasement from the map, the German defenders are still grimly holding to its rubble heaps and successfully resisting all attempts to occupy it. It may be that the battle of Cassino has now become purely a prestige affair for the Germans but it has completely blocked Allied progress towards Rome and, indeed, entirely changed the very character of the war in Italy. It has now been suggested that there was no perfect co-ordination in the follow-through and that a less sustained bombardment followed up by a swift storming of the town may have caught the Germans on the wrong foot. This is an interesting theory but its value lies merely in its post-mortem aspect. Meanwhile the honours of the battle—even if it is a battle of prestige—lie with Marshal Kesselring and General Alexander will have to do some quick thinking to end the stalemate which threatens to settle on the Italian front once again.

King Victor's Undertaking

Marshal Badoglio has released for publication an interesting document which he originally conveyed with the full approval and authority of King Victor Emmanuel to the Allied Control Commission at the end of January last. It constitutes a six-point undertaking to hold elections to the Chamber of Deputies within four months of the declaration of peace and to abide by the will expressed by the freely elected representatives of the nation. Before that the King has promised to broadbase his ministry immediately Rome is taken, excluding therefrom all persons compromised by Fascism. Now the first question that suggests itself is why this document should have been so long denied publicity, especially when it closely corresponds to the terms set out by Mr. Churchill in the Commons last month. Its publication would have helped to modify at least partially the bitter opposition of the Italian people to the Badoglio Government. Secondly it is significant that the King in no way promises to abdicate if so called upon, the clauses regarding constitutional changes being vague. Thirdly, were those terms conveyed to the Soviet Government when it was approached by the Badoglio Government for the exchange of diplomatic representatives? Was it because he approved those undertakings that Marshal Stalin sent his envoy to the discredited court of King Victor? All this discussion will, however, remain academic for a pretty long time, the first reform promised in the document not becoming incumbent until after the fall of Rome—and of that there is no sign yet!

Congress And Home Department

In the course of his remarks on the Home Department in his speech in the Central Assembly, Mr. Bhulabhai Desai said he would not refer to the August resolution of the A.I.C.C. That resolution, the Working Committee and Gandhiji in particular have been grossly misrepresented by the Home Government all the world over, and unwarranted and irresponsible charges have been levelled against the Congress leaders, while the accused are not given the slightest opportunity to say a word in self-defence. The injustice is so glaring that even men from far off America have felt constrained to defend the Congress and expose the Home Government. If Mr. Desai, as the accredited leader of the Congress Party in the Assembly, had explained the August resolution, his defence would have been on record and would have somehow obtained considerable publicity. The following is the report of his reference to the Home Member: "There was, however, such a thing as precaution in human life and possibly the Home Member thought that it was far better to shut up a few thousands of people as precaution rather than take the risk." The risk referred to is perhaps that of violence in any mass action. We take it that Mr. Desai was ironical. The action against Congress leaders has been not merely preventive. It is almost vindictive. They are denied interviews and Gandhiji is isolated from the rest. They have been treated as outlaws. Government have, by their action against the leaders and their "leonine violence" in general, created far more risks than were possible in the *unstarted* campaign by Congress.

Constitutional Fraud

The Congress electorate in the Frontier Province will be thoroughly satisfied with the reasons which Khan Saheb, Leader of the Congress Parliamentary Party, has given for boycotting the Legislative Assembly. A fraud on constitution is being practised there by a minority ministry being foisted on the public and kept alive only by the detention in jail of ten Congress Party members. Dr. Khan Saheb and his party refuse to countenance the fraud when he is unfairly deprived of the votes of the detained members in any attempt to show up the unrepresentative character of the Ministry. In his own words, his contention is that "either these M.L.A.'s be released unconditionally or those outside belonging to my party be sent to jail." The former alternative will end the Ministry within twenty-four hours. The latter does not suit its tactics of throwing dust into the eyes of the people. The plea is sometimes trotted out that Congress has no longer any substantial hold on the electorate. If so, why not seize the opportunity through general elections?

Persecution

The action taken by the C. P. Government against the "Nagpur Times" amounts to persecution. The Editor was arrested and let on bail and he has to take his trial on a charge of publishing the grounds of detention of security prisoners as disclosed to the latter by the Government. While thus the case was "sub judice", the Government have also forfeited the security deposited by the paper, though the offence for which this is done is yet to be proved. If this action was needed at all it should have been taken after the Editor was tried and if he was found guilty. As it is, it amounts to prejudging the case or queering the pitch, apart from the fact that it is a violation of the Gentleman's agreement with the Editors' Conference inasmuch as the Provincial Advisory Committee was not consulted. Justice demands that the forfeiture of the security should be cancelled, if only for the present.

"Caste Must Go"

In your issue of Monday (March 27) I find that Mr. J. E. Sanjana, writing under the above caption, has made the following remark with reference to Harijan Uplift: "Be it noted well in the first instance that the very inspirer of this noble work is a staunch believer in caste by birth and also in hereditary professions; so that a man born a sweeper must remain a sweeper, and so must his son also." Mr. Sanjana has not explicitly stated who the "inspirer of this noble work" is. I take it that Mr. Sanjana has Gandhiji in mind and that his remark is made with reference to the latter. If my inference is correct, may I ask Mr. Sanjana to justify his remark, which I hold to be a gross distortion of the truth, by actual quotations from Gandhiji's writings on the subject—he will find in the issues of "Young India" and "Harijan" any number of passages and whole articles dealing with Harijan Uplift—instead of by vague references to unspecified passages in little known Gujarati (or Hindi?) works. It should not be difficult for a "sabjantawala" like Mr. Sanjana to produce a few at least of the "self-luminous extracts" which, in his opinion, will expose to the world the 'hypocritical' character of Gandhiji's advocacy of Harijan Uplift. Will Mr. Sanjana oblige?

R. K. P.

Governor Dewey Extols Role Of Free Press In War

NEW YORK, March 26.

Governor Thomas E. Dewey, in a nation-wide broadcast on the war-time role of the free press, said:

"It is impossible for us here to realise what a precious thing we have in a free press until we start reading the unashamed falsehoods offered some people of the world by what they call newspapers. We in America have learned to distinguish between fact and opinion, between gossip and actual events. We doubt a news report when the fact is adulterated with opinion. News and cameramen who report for us through the newspapers, radio and news-reels are the eyes and ears of America. Under our system, they must report truthfully or they die from public disrespect. Thanks to that system,

(Continued in Col. 7)

Assembly Sticks To Its Guns!

Recommended Bill Rejected Again

CONFIDENCE OF PEOPLE, ONLY BEDROCK OF GOVT., SAYS BHULABHAI

NEW DELHI, March 28.

The Assembly this morning by 56 votes to 45 rejected the Finance Bill in the form recommended by the Governor-General.

In the course of the brief debate that preceded the vote, the Finance Member in introducing the Recommended Bill explained that it incorporated four amendments, one of which corrected a misprint and the other three were those which stood on the order paper in the name of Mr. John Sheehy.

The first two of these amendments relate to deposit under the Department Provisions. They provide that in respect of any chargeable accounting period ending after the 31st day of December 1943, in relation to any person who is a company it shall be 19-64ths, and in relation to any other person it shall be 17-64ths; that if, in respect of any chargeable accounting period ending after the 31st day of December, 1943, a person who has deposited a further sum equal to 17-64ths of the excess profits tax payable shows that the amount of the income-tax and supertax payable in respect of the excess profits arising in such period exceeds 15-64ths of the amount of the Excess Profits Tax payable, so much of the deposit shall be refunded as will secure that the total of the deposit made and the income-tax and supertax payable in respect of the excess profits arising in such period does not exceed one half of the Excess Profits Tax payable.

The last amendment relates to the schedule of rates of supertax, and provides that a rebate of one anna in the rupee shall be allowed on the total income as reduced by the amount of any dividend declared in British India in respect of the profits of the previous year for the assessment for the year ending on the 31st day of March, 1945. Not being a dividend payable at a fixed rate or a dividend declared on or before the 29th day of February, 1944, by a company to which but for sub-section (8) of section 6 of the Act, section 23A of the Indian Income-tax Act, 1922, would be applicable.

BHULABHAI'S OPPOSITION

Mr. Bhulabhai Desai, rising amidst cheers from the Opposition, opposed the motion for reconsideration of the Bill in the Recommended Form. He observed this occasion which had brought back the Bill certified by the Viceroy was not without precedent, and but for the provision in the Government of India Act one should have thought that the Government would exercise its powers without asking this body which had cast a deliberate vote yesterday against the Bill to reconsider it this morning. He said yesterday the House had rejected the Bill by a majority of one, which was, in truth a vote of 56 against 18 so far as the elected members of the Assembly were concerned. Even out of this 18, if we took into account the consideration which the members of the European Group had extended to Government, it came to this that in so far as the real voice of this country was concerned, it was a vote of 56 against 8. With such an amount of unreality about the vote, he should have thought that there would be no further ceremony again to-day of bringing the Bill before the House. It was an imputation of lack of commonsense to ask him to reconsider what the House had been considering for quite a long time. When the Bill was in the consideration stage for a period of about seven days, when every party and such members as wanted to take part in it had expressed their opinion on it, they had made it quite plain that in so far as the representatives of the elected members were concerned, it would not be possible on the ground of principle, as well as owing to the deteriorated condition in the country during the year in question, that this Bill for supplies would ever be voted for.

Mr. Desai, proceeding said, ever since war declared and India was declared a partner in the war, the country had been demanding that the affairs of the country should, at least during the emergency, be managed on principles different to those under which affairs were being handled. Those who had the responsibility of finding the money and resources for the prosecution of the war, it was then made clear, should also have the privilege of carrying out policies for the purpose of disbursement. The question could only be solved if His Majesty's Government began to realise that, however eminent or able the individual personnel of the Government might be, it was the confidence of the people which was the bedrock and foundation of Government, in any case, during the period of war.

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET OF 1939

Mr. Desai recalled that in 1939, soon after the war broke out, Government brought a supplementary budget asking for two crores of rupees for war purposes. It was intended merely for propaganda value. If Great Britain was spending Rs. 14 crores every day, he had then pointed out, there was not much purpose in the Government of India coming before the House and saying: "Give us two crores for the prosecution of the war." It was true that the situation at that time was different and the war was still far away from the Eastern and Western borders of the country. To-day the country was in a different position. As he had pointed out yesterday, while the Allies might be confident of winning the war, it was not merely military success that was going to solve the problem of the world. Indeed, those who had studied the situation and the statesmen of different countries agreed with the view. That it was more the problem of the peace to follow. The duration and the quality of that peace, that was going to determine the future of the world. Indeed everytime you might fight for righteousness, but so long as the present method continued, there could be no question that it was ultimately to be a means of superiority in arms. It looked paradoxical but that was how the world was being governed. The time must come he added when the world must be governed in better circumstances, for a secure peace and better times.

The Bill was rejected by 56 votes to 45.

ANOTHER DEMAND REJECTED

Within an hour of the rejection of the Recommended Finance Bill, the House again divided when in the course of the debate on demands for supplementary grants the House rejected by 55 votes to 45 a grant of Rs. 1,85,000 in respect of the Information and Broadcasting Department.

During the debate Sir Ziauddin Ahmed complained that candidates from the Aligarh University were not given opportunities in the Broadcasting Department.

Mr. T. T. Krishnamachari asked for information about the United Nations Information Committee for which an allotment had been made.

Sir Sultan Ahmed, Member for Information and Broadcasting Department, said that he had issued orders that as far as possible all provinces should be represented in the Broadcasting Department, and that it should not be the monopoly of any one province or one particular class of people. The United Nations Information Committee, Sir Sultan explained, was an organisation formed for the purposes of common action in regard to publicity. He explained how recruitment was being made through the Federal Public Service Commission and a selection board of the Department itself.

GRANT FOR FINANCE DEPARTMENT

The appointment of the National Savings Commissioner was criticised in the course of the debate on a demand under the Financial Department. Mr. T. T. Krishnamachari, Mr. Avinashilingam Chettiar, Sir Cowasji Jehangir, Prof. P. N. Banerjee, Mr. Kailash Behari Lal, Sir Yamin Khan, Maulvi Abdul Ghani, Sir Ziauddin Ahmed and Mr. Ramratan Gupta spoke in the debate. Many of them complained of the "coercive" methods adopted in making collections under the National Savings Campaign and desired to know the exact scope of the Commissioner's functions.

The Finance Member emphasised the need for the small savings movements from the point of view of absorbing surplus purchasing power and fighting the menace of inflation and pointed out that although purely voluntary effort by public spirited people had succeeded to some extent in making collections, the movement, which he said, was capable of tremendous improvement should be placed on a complete business basis with paid personnel, as in other countries.

Referring to the Commissioner's functions, the Finance Member said, he toured the provinces and states, discussed various methods with officials and non-officials there and suggested the best method by which the movement could be carried on in the varying conditions of the areas concerned.

The grant was agreed to.

GRANT FOR TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT

Government's policy as to secure the maximum conversion of motor vehicles to producer gas plants, said Sir Edward Benthall, War Transport Member, replying to a debate on a demand under his department.

In the course of a debate on a demand under the Department of Food, Sir Jwalaprasad informed the House that he would consider the suggestion for making available weekly reports on the food situation in the country.

Both the demands were passed.—A. P.

Work Of Islamic Research Association

Mr. Ali Mahomed Mecklai, President, Islamic Research Association, entertained the Iranian Cultural Mission to a reception on the 21st March. The function was an informal one, and was held at the residence of Mr. Mecklai, Warden Road, at 6 p.m.

The President in his opening remarks welcomed His Excellency Ali Asghar Hekmat, leader of the Mission, and his colleagues Professor Foure Davoud and Professor Yasemi. He said that it was an auspicious sign that we were welcoming the Mission on the Nawruz Day. There were many cultural bonds between India and Iran, and he hoped that in due course they would be strengthened. He then called upon Mr. Fyzee, the Honorary Secretary, to tell them the aims and objects and the work of the association. The President also presented two complete sets (ten volumes each), of the publications of the I.R.A. to the Leader—one was intended for the library of the University of Teheran, and the other for the use of the Mission.

Mr. A.A.A. Fyzee, in welcoming the Mission said: "On an occasion like this it is only natural to take stock of the work we have done, and the ideals for which we stand. The I.R.A. is an association devoted solely to research, it has nothing to do with religion or politics. During the last 10 years it has published ten volumes, all of which are devoted to scientific research in all branches of Islamic studies. The first four volumes are Persian texts prepared by Mr. W. Ivanow, on the religion of the Persian Ismailis. The fifth is an Urdu work dealing with Arab Navigation. The sixth and seventh are Arabic texts on Sufism and the Fatimid branch of Ismailism, respectively. The eighth volume is again a Persian poetical text with a translation by Dr. A. J. Arberry. The ninth volume is of special interest to Iranians, because it is a translation of the earliest authoritative creed of the Shiites. The last volume is again by that veteran scholar W. Ivanow, on the rise of the Fatimids, and it will be seen that this profound scholar has made the most valuable contributions to the study of the religion of the Ismailis, by researches extending over the last 25 years. It is safe to say that, despite all shortcomings, the work of W. Ivanow is of fundamental importance and constitutes the largest contribution by any scholar now living for the understanding of the religion and the history of the Ismailis in general.

A criticism is sometimes made that the I.R.A. has devoted too much of its attention and labours to the study of Ismailism. To that the simple answer is, first, that Ismailism as such was quite an unknown subject and was therefore considered virgin field by Mr. W. Ivanow and others, and secondly, Bombay is so situated that it is the meeting place of different groups of the Ismailis, and therefore a student working in Bombay is in a very favourable position to undertake the study of Ismailism."

The Secretary hoped that the members of the Mission would peruse some of the works and hand over one set to the library of the University of Teheran with the compliments of our association. He also hoped that there would be a number of such cultural interchanges between the two countries, so that a truly scientific and critical spirit may be fostered among eastern scholars.

His Excellency Ali Asghar Hekmat, leader of the Mission, made a brief but suitable reply in Persian which was later interpreted to the audience by an official of the Government of India, Professor M. Wahajuddin. He said that up till a few years ago Oriental research was the monopoly of the west. But he was happy to see that institutions like the I.R.A. were growing up in the eastern countries as well. He wished the I.R.A. every success and expressed his admiration for the work that was being done. He hoped that the I.R.A. would send a Mission to Persia, and he would do his utmost to offer them hospitality and promote collaboration between the University of Teheran and this association. As a practical step towards this appreciation he offered to become a member of the association and said that he would always be glad to keep in touch with the work that we were doing. He thanked us very much for the welcome, and expressed his deep appreciation of the hospitality received by the Mission during their brief stay in India.

INCOME-TAX AMENDMENT BILL

Messrs. Tanubhai Desai and Bhogilal C. Shah, write:—

It is proposed to discuss briefly some of the salient features of some important amendments introduced by the Finance Member regarding Income-tax and E.P.T. etc., and now before the Select Committee.

Two important amendments are proposed regarding E.P.T. Act, one is regarding compulsory deposit, and the other is regarding the computation of capital. It is provided that the compulsory deposit of the E.P.T. at 19/64 of the E.P.T. that is, 19 19/24 per cent of the Excess Profits will be payable by those assessees whose chargeable accounting period end after 31st December 1943. This means that those assessees whose chargeable account periods on or before 31st December 1943 will have to pay only at the rate of 13 1/3 of the Excess Profits as compulsory deposit for the whole of 1943, whilst those having an accounting period ending after 31st December 1943, say that is, 31st March 1944, will have to pay the compulsory deposit of 19 19/24 not only for three months of 1944 but also for the 9 months of 1943. It is submitted that this discrimination is not fair. "It is submitted that suitable amendment should be made whereby provision should be made that payment of compulsory deposit at a higher rate, whether whole or in part, of 1943 should be excluded in all cases so that there will be no discrimination between one assessee and another merely because of difference in the ending of the year."

The second amendment is regarding computation of capital. Hereafter the whole of excess profits tax, compulsory deposit and the Income-tax and Super-tax, including advance payment for the same is to be deducted out of the capital calculated for the purposes of ascertaining capital employed in the business. The effect thereof on the business and specially on the industry will be adverse. So far the Excess Profits Tax was payable only at 50 or 66 2/3 per cent, the balance of these Excess Profits that remained in the business was treated as a capital employed in the business and thereby the standard profit was increased to the extent of such increase in the capital. No doubt 50 per cent of the profits accruing during the year is being treated as capital employed and to that extent, capital does increase and proportionate increase in the standard profit also result. But the effect of the above provision of deducting the accrued liability for taxation including deposit etc., is such that not only will there not be any chance of there being any increase in capital but it is apparent that the standard profit will tend to diminish.

INCOME-TAX ADVANCE PAYMENT SCHEME

It is now proposed to introduce for taxation of businesses an intricate scheme known as "Pay as you earn during the year you earn. This scheme will not only apply to those assessees who are already assessed by the Income-tax Authorities but also to the assessees who are not so far assessed (including business newly started). The same will be applicable for 1945/46 assessment. The tax is payable as a sort of advance payment of tax on income being earned during the year of earning on two alternative basis "at the option of the assessees," one, on the basis of the latest previous year's assessment, and second, on the estimattion to be made by the assessees themselves.

It is well-known that the assessment of certain assessees are not yet so far completed for even the year 1940/41 and so anyone wishing to pay on the basis of the latest previous year's assessment, viz., 1939/40, and when 1940/41 assessment is completed, his estimation may have again to be revised. Similarly some time after his 1941/42 assessment is completed, his provisional assessment for the current year may have again to be revised, and so on, until each of the assessments which are completed by 15th February of the year for which tax is paid in advance. This will entail considerable hardship as the assessments will be revised every now and then till it is finally settled, which may happen two or three years after.

If the assessees adopt the second basis, i.e. paying the provisional assessment, on the estimation of the profits for every three months, this will also entail many hardships, and particularly when Section 28, whereby heavy penalties are levied has been made applicable to penalise the assessees for making underestimates. Penalty can be levied upto 150 per cent on the tax escaping on such under estimations. When taxes are, say, nearly 8 annas in a Rupee, and there is a liability to pay 150 per cent by way of penalty, it can be imagined what would be the total demand, if some such mistake has accrued in the estimation. "This being quite a new principle and public being not so enlightened, this penalty provision of Section 28 ought not to have been levied specially as it is provided that on the balance of the estimate falling short of 80 per cent the assessed income, 6 per cent interest is leviable.

TÊTE-A-TÊTE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

NEW DELHI, March 27: The elected members who voted with Government, besides Europeans, were Sir Cowasji Jehangir, Mr. Jamnadas Mehta, Mr. Ananga Mohan Dam, Bhai Parmanand, Sir Abdul Halim Ghaznavi, Sir V. N. Chandavarkar, Mr. Bhagchand Soni, Pandit Nilkant Das and Mehd. Shaban.

Mr. N. M. Joshi and Mr. Hosseinbhoy Lalji remained neutral. —United Press.

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The Nazis are said to be holding Cassino for the sake merely of prestige.

Then the Allies ought to take it soon—if only for the sake of prestige!

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General Wingate, Commander of the "Phantom Army", has been described as an "eccentric soldier genius" like "Clive of India, Chinese Gordon and Lawrence of Arabia."

Is this eccentric genius also absent-mindedly extending the frontiers of empire? We want an answer before we can applaud his exploits.

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Replying to the Budget debate, Sir Jeremy Raisman, the Finance Member, admitted that he did not regard himself, "as qualified either by knowledge or by training" to pronounce on the constitutional issue.

And, having made this confession, he proceeded to pronounce on the constitutional issue!

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The pious Sir Jeremy, referring to Congress-League combination—with more irony than love—asked:

"Can we hope to see that this combination will continue and go further? May I hope to be relieved of the difficulties in which I find myself of having to carry out my duties to get legislation passed in a House in which the Government does not enjoy a majority? May I hope to see that this combination will continue on fruitful lines, so that we may look forward to a speedy solution of the difficulties which give rise to all this trouble we are facing?"

Amen! Amen! Amen!

How very kind of the Finance Member to "hope" for Congress-League unity *after* his Government had carefully sabotaged every effort made in that direction!

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TO-DAY'S PRIZE HOWLERS (Perpetrated By The Junior Colleague)

(1) *Following the rejection of the Finance Bill in the Assembly, the Wavell Government resigned yesterday and Messrs. Bhulabhai Desai and Jinnah have been asked to form a coalition cabinet.*

(2) *Lord Wavell, having resigned from the Viceroyalty, has offered his services (honorary) to the National Government of India as an instructor in the Indian Army.*

(3) *Sir Feroze Khan Noon has declared his intention of retiring to the Kangra hills in the Punjab to write another novel—a sequel to his "Scented Dust", the new volume to be called, "Dusty Defence."*

(4) *Doctor Khare is going overseas to settle down permanently in South Africa to be able to enjoy all the amenities his department was able to secure for Indians in that Dominion.*

(5) *Sir Sultan Ahmad is still undecided whether to accept the post of a Programme Assistant in the All-India Radio or to take up a publicity job offered by a well-known advertising firm of Bombay.*

(6) *Sir Jwala Prasad Srivastava has decided to open a grain shop in Cawnpore.*

(7) *Sir Jeremy Raisman is leaving for England where he hopes to deflate himself by adopting a slimming diet.*

(8) *Doctor Ambedkar has locked himself in his library and is feverishly writing a book to be called "THE NEW DEPRESSED CLASS—or The Rise and Fall of Ex-Executive Councillors."*

(9) *Sir Mohamad Usman who has lost considerable weight since Monday, has accepted another job in the Post and Telegraph Department—as a village post-master!*

Report Of Jehangir B. Petit High School For Girls

Miss P. F. Patuck, Principal of the Jehangir B. Petit High School for Girls in submitting the administration report for the period 1938-1943 says that the school has established its reputation as one of the best cosmopolitan girl's schools in Bombay where children of all nationalities are brought together in a spirit of perfect harmony. It thus builds up a comradeship and unity in them that they could follow up in their later life.

The number on the rolls of the school continues to increase. Kindergarten classes are a speciality and they are overfull.

The aim of the school is to take away the bugbear of examinations from the minds of the pupils but are taught not to cram without understanding and intelligence. The Matriculation examination results every year have been exceptionally good.

The pupils have displayed their talents at getting up entertainments very ably. Not only are they well up in their entertainments but have shown how helpful they could be in a good cause.

In short the School is training the pupils in the right direction, imparting education, and developing their artistic and aesthetic instincts. It is essential, the Principal said, the Government and public should help this institution to start a department where all the domestic arts and crafts can be taught to girls so that they could know to run economical and beautiful homes.

(Continued from Col. 3)

they make us the best informed people in the world and it is through knowing the truth that we can keep ourselves free."

Dewey said that the families of U.S. soldiers in the forthcoming European invasion "will brace themselves to any tasks. They will sacrifice as deeply as the welfare of the nation demands.....Our people can take bad news with the good but they have a right to know the facts. We need a free, informed people to fight a war for freedom. Peace will be achieved by the labour and willing sacrifice of people throughout the world for generations to come because they understand the conditions of peace and want them. If the peace is to succeed, it must reflect the will and understanding of our people. That understanding can be fostered, that will be expressed, through a free press. Peace will succeed only if our people have the information and the will to make it succeed as a living reality."—USOWI.

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CITY MARKETS

BOMBAY, March 28.

SHARES: The local Share Bazar was steady to-day with moderate short covering and replacement buying. Tata Steel Dfd. Shares opened at Rs. 2,080 and under active buying advanced to Rs. 2,122 while Ordinary Shares were quoted at Rs 411. Bombay Dye-

Active Shares At A Glance

T. S. Ord. (408/8) 409 11/8 10/8 8/8 12/8 9/8 10/8 9/8 10.; T S Dfd. (2087/8) 2087 2112 7 2097 2100 32 12/8 22/8 22/8 20 15 20 15 18/12; Dyeing (2128) 2127 25 40 35 32 20; Century (1020) 1035; Kohinoor (685) 688 83 91 89 90 86 90 85 86 87; Swadesh (603) 604 8 7 5 9 5 6 2, Nagpur (431) 434 33 36 38 36 34 33; Simplex (257/8) 260 62 60 62 61 60; New Great (399) 400 6 5 3 6 4 3; Burma (410) 415 410; Cement (225/12) 225/12 25/8 26 25/12.

ing Shares opened at Rs. 2,125 and improved to Rs. 2,140. Kohinoor Mill Shares were quoted at Rs. 690. General feeling was mildly bullish on technical considerations as long interest was mostly liquidated. However there is more disposition to take quick turns pending further developments.

TEXTILE: Admed. Advance 512-8, Apollo 4 15-1/2, Bharat Mills 81-4, Bom. Dyeing 2130. Cent. India 433, Century 1035, Colaba 231, Dawn 1675, Edwd. Sassoon 752 Elphinstone 109, Finlay 343-8, Gokak 383-8, Hindustan 4000, Ind. Bleaching 221 Ind. Unto. Ordy. 19. Ind. Untd. Defd. 4 2-1/2. Indore Malwa 400, Khatau 425 Kohinoor 685, Lakshmi 1517-8, Madhowji 27, Minerva 310, Mocej Nagpur 306-4, Morarji 735, Madhusudan 510, Meyer Sassoon 248-12, Mysore 321-4, New Great 403-8, Phoenix 750 Podar Mills 441-4, Sassoon Silk 104, Sassoon Spg. 29-8, Sholapur 8700. Shri Nivas 435, Simplex 260, Svadeshi 602, Swan 374, Tata Mills 73, Vishnu 562-8, Western India 3650.

INSURANCE: Bom. Life 227-8, Empire Life 820, Oriental 6310, Vulcan 19-12, Ind. Mercantile 86-8, Indust. and Prudent. 43, Jupiter 40-4, New India 94-4.

HYDRO & ELECTRIC: Ahmed. Elec. 226-4, Ajmere Elec. 14, And. Valley Power 1872-8 Bom. Tram Ordy. 145-8, Bom. Suburban 205, Karachi 255, Poona 300, Surat 408-12, Surat New Rs. 50/Pd. Prem. 70, Broach 13-8, Tata Hydro Ord. 205-8, Tata Power Ord. 1890.

BANK: Baroda Bank xd 139-8, Bank of India xd 184, Central Bank 94-8, Imperial Bank 1932-8, Imperial P. P. 502-8, Habib Bank xd 86-8, Union Bank xd 10-2, Reserve Bank 134.

PREFERENCE SHARES: 7 per cent And. Valley 1729, 6 per cent Bom. Steamer 340, 7 per cent Bom. Tram 67, 5 per cent Cent. India 732-8, 6-1/2 per cent Jupiter Ins. 20-4, 6-1/2 per cent Surat Elec. 198, 6-1/4 per cent Prem. Const. 1st 139, 5-1/4 per cent Prem. Const. 2nd 137-8, 6 per cent Tata Iron and Steel 1st 220, 7-1/2 per cent Tata Iron and Steel 2nd 159-8, 7 per cent Hydro 172-8, 7-1/2 per cent Power 1785, 7 per cent Vishnu 785.

DEBENTURES: 4 per cent And. Valley 107-12, 4 per cent Tata Power 107-10, 4 per cent Tata Chem. 234, 6 per cent Marsand Price 121.

RAILWAY: Ahmed. Prantej 775, Cent. Prov. 103, Dhond Baramati 118, Gujerat 98, Hoshiarpur Doab 108, Mandra Bhon 112-4 Mymensing Rebt. 111, Mymensing Gtd. 111, Sara Sirajgani 111, Sialkot Naro. 121, Sialkot New 54.

MISCELLANEOUS: Alembic 390, Alcock Ashdown 622-8, Asso. Cement 225-12, Bom. Burma Old 410, Bom. Burma New 150-10, Belapur 242, Invest. Trust 75, B. B. Petrols 3-1, Bom. Steamer 665, Prem. Const. 220-8, Port Canning 108, Scindia 35-1, Shivrajpur 69, Tata Chem. 31-4, Tata Oil 83, Tata Ordy. 410, Tata Defd. 2118-12, Wimco. 326, B. I. C. 6-6, Burma Corp. 3-9, Ind. Copper 2 11-1/2, Ind. Iron 36-4, Steel Corp. 27-4 New Vice. Ord. 6-8, H. Co. Bank 61-8, U. Co. Bank 76, Bradbury Pref. 567-8, Bradbury Ord. 417-8, Elphin. Pref. 232-8, Dharamsey Chem. 76, New City Mill 430, Jaipur Bank 71, New Union 32.

GOVT. SECURITIES: 2-3/4 per cent 1948-52 Loan 99-10, 3-1/2 per cent G P. Note 98-6, 3 per cent 1946 Def. 1st 101-15, 3 per cent 1949-52 2nd 100-9 3 per cent 1951-54 3rd 99-15, 3 per cent 1953-55 4th Def. 99-9, 3 per cent 1963-65 Loan 98-4, 31/2 per cent 1948-50 Loan 103 4-1/2 per cent 1955-60 Loan 115-14, 4 per cent 1960-70 Loan 112-7.

CORP. DEBENTURES: 4 per cent B. P. T. 1974 113-8, 4 per cent M. Deb. 1974 113-8, 5 per cent M. Deb. 1950 121, 6 per cent M. Deb. 1954 130-2 6 per cent K. P. T. 1956 129-8.

TAX FREE LOANS: 5 per cent 1945-55 Loan 104-12, 4 per cent 1953-63 Mysore 123-6 5 per cent Mysore 1955 135-8.

BULLION: Yesterday London Gold was unchanged at £8-8-0; Dollar sterling Cross rate was 4.02-1/2 to 4.03-1/2 at London and 4.03 at New York London Spot and Forward Silver quotations were unchanged at 231/2d and New York Spot Silver was quoted at 44-3/4 cents. The market fear of amali sales of gold from special quarters is finding some foundation. Today there was demand for about seven lakhs tolas Gold but sales of about two lakhs tolas were made at Rs. 71 and other buyers were unable to buy This caused a spurt in the market and Gold prices rose to Rs. 72/12 under active forward buying. The rise induced some realising and price reacted to Rs. 72/4. Forward Silver opened at Rs. 136 and advanced to Rs. 137 and later steadied at Rs. 136 The recent rise is mainly influenced by war news from Malpur and while the enthusiasm is not likely to last for a longer period, the Government will have to revise their policy regarding the Bullion Market. It is true that the Government is fighting inflation to some extent and is selling British and American gold but if the supply proves insufficient the Market may face wide fluctuations and prices may be pushed to unseen levels.

There was steady liquidation which was well absorbed at the decline. Closing quotations. Ready Silver Rs. 138/8 Forward Rs. 135. Ready Gold Rs. 72/4 Forward Gold Rs. 72/4; Sovereigns Rs. 50/2.

COTTON: The local market was quiet today with increased selling pressure influenced by unfavourable reports from upcountry market. The demand for ready cotton is disappointing. May delivery opened today at Rs. 442 and immediately declined to Rs. 436/8 At this level there appeared some covering which saved the market from a further level and May steadied at Rs. 437/8.

The market was very quiet and neither bears nor Bulls were willing to increase risks. The market outlook is uncertain and feeling was hesitant. Closing quotations were as under:

I C C May Rs. 347-4; I C C July Rs. 455; I C C September Rs. 448/8.

HIGH AND LOW COTTON PRICES

I C C May highest 444-1/2; lowest 440; closing 440-1/4; I C C July highest 451-3/4; lowest 447; closing 447-1/2; I C C Sept. highest 454-3/4 lowest 450-1/2; closing 451.

COTTON PARITY: Indian Cotton May contract is below New York May 391 cent points at Exchange rate 331.

COTTON ARRIVALS. Central India 200; Barsi 76; Berar 506; Dholeras 986; Broach 1695 Total 3463 bales.

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS

Khandesh Jarilla old 260/290 new 340/370; Berar Jarilla old 300/310; new 390/410; 280 F Jarilla old 470/510; new 600/620; N T Jarilla old 440/450; new 550/560; 289 F Sawginned old 490/540; new 675/685.

COTTON ROOM RATES

Jarilla Extra Spr-fine 465, Sup 455, Fine 445, F Good 438, Broach Extra Spr-fine 459, Sup 454, Fine 449 F Good 444, L S S Pun-Ame Extra Spr-fine 575, Sup 570, Fine 565, F Good 560, 289 F Pun-Ame Extra Spr-fine 620, Sup 615, Fine 610, F Good 605 S T Sind/Ameri Extra Spr-fine 565, Sup 560, Fine 555, F Good 550 Sawgin Sind†Ameri Extra Spr-fine 610, Sup 605, Fine 600, F Good 595.

NEW YORK COTTON

LONDON March 27.

May 20.88—02; July 20.33+06; October 20.06+07; Dec. 19.88+08; Jan. 19.82+09; March 19.72+09; May highest 20.99+09; (10.14 a.m.) lowest 20.85+05 (1-49 p.m.)

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

May 21.02; July 20.69; October 20.07 Dec. 19.89+07; Jan 19.77+50; March 19.73—07.

NEW YORK COTTON

Noon Call

May 20.95; July 20.57; October 20.12

N.Y. COTTON WEEKLY REVIEW

Cotton touched new highest level for the season on broad trade and commission house buying on the expectation of a continuing heavy textile demand, reports of lagging new crop preparations and indications of a smaller acreage next season. Persistent demand for March 1945 contract was attracted by the wide discount and the price below the next season's expected higher loan rate. With preparation 2 to 3 weeks behind hand, the crop is expected to be more vulnerable to weather henceforth. The spot market is reported to be dull with the basis easier in some areas, but the majority of producers are unconcerned and are still inclined to hold. Civilian business in cotton goods is stalemated with reports centering on meeting the large lend and lease inquiry for 91 million yards and the various high priority Government orders. While steadiness is anticipated, traders are cautious on fears that further advances will attract heavier loan redemptions.

Glamour Girls For War Front

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Ensa Headquarters announces that two new shows "Brainwaves" and "Happy Go Lucky" arrived in India during the week-end.

The revue "Happy Go Lucky" which has been playing in the Middle East for two months has five "Glamour Girls" who lost their Wardrobe when torpedoed on the voyage from England. Replaced by the cool fabrics of the East, soldier audiences have voted the show a transparent success The visit to India is voluntary.

"Brainwaves" has a cast of three. Pharos and Farina have an amazing through reading act; the rest of the show is piano accordionist Jnonnie Johnson and necks neither stage nor piano. It has been formed under the special direction of India's Ensa for forward troops. A tent for its theatre and a hurricane lamp for its lighting set "Brainwaves" will play to the most isolated of forward units.

Both shows have left Bombay for the Fourteenth Army and the Eastern Command.—A. P.

CHINESE SEAMEN'S UNION

With a view to giving greater benefits and inculcating working fellowship among overseas Chinese Seamen in India, particularly in Bombay, a "Chinese Seamen's Association", is being formed in Bombay to-day. The central office of the Association is in Chungking under the direction of Mr. Yang Hu, and its Bombay unit will be under the control of Mr. Lai Ning, Principal of the Chinese School of Bombay. The office of the Association will be at the Chinese School, Kennedy Bridge, Bombay.

This is the first time that anything like organised relief for overseas Chinese Seamen is being attempted in India.

Arrested Under Profiteering Charge

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Ali Abdul Khalak and Jalal Mohamad Bakar, described as joint owners of the Rose Restaurant in Agripada Police Section were arrested under the Defence of India Act for profiteering.

Their arrest was effected last night after sending a bogus customer to whom Jalal Mohamed alleged to have sold a packet of "Capstan" cigarettes for annas 5, the Controlled price of the same being four and half annas.

The accused who were produced before Mr. V. K. Muranjan, Presidency Magistrate, Mazagaon Police Court were allowed bail to--day.

CHOWK MURDER CASE ECHO

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Three more accused have now been added to the former list of eleven in what is known now as the Kaprekar murder case of Chowk.

The investigating officer Mr. Valanju has now been authorised to carry on his inquiry under Section 302 (Murder) of the Penal Code by the D. S. P. Kolaba.

TRUST COMMITTEE EULOGISES MR. JAMNADAS' SERVICES

A resolution appreciating the valuable services rendered by Mr. Jamnadas Dwarkadas as the Chairman of the Improvements Committee was passed at the last meeting of the Committee for the current year, held on Tuesday.

Speakers present at the meeting eulogised the services of the Chairman and Mr. Jamnadas Dwarkadas replied in suitable terms.

REVDANDA HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING DONATIONS

Besides the amount of Rs. 20,000 donated by Sardar Rao Bahadur Tendulkar and the sum of Rs. 5,000 by His Highness, the Nawab Saheb of Janjira, the following further announcements were also made: Diwanji Brothers Rs. 4,500, Messrs. Vaidya and Joshi Rs. 4,500, Mr. Railkar Rs. 3,000, Mr. C. M. Tendulkar Rs. 2,500, the Muslim community of Revdanda Rs. 2,007, Mr. Manmohan Mitha Rs. 1,001.

"WOMEN'S RESCUE HOMES IN INDIA"

Under the auspices of the Research Bureau of the Sir Dorabji Tata Graduate School of Social Work a research project of surveying Women's Rescue Homes in India has been undertaken. This being the first research of its kind on an All-India scale, the Bureau solicits the active co-operation of all the social workers and requests them to supply the names and addresses of all the Rescue Homes known to them. Communications to be addressed to the Bureau, the Sir Dorabji Tata Graduate School of Social Works, Bombay.

B. C. ROY ELECTED PRESIDENT OF MEDICAL COUNCIL OF INDIA

NEW DELHI, March 27.

Dr. B. C. Roy was elected President of the Medical Council of India at the 20th Session of the Council which began here to-day.

The Council also elected Rai Bahadur B. N. Vyas as its Vice-President and D. A. I. Mudaliar, Dr. A. S. Erulkar and Col. P. B. Bharucha as university representatives on the Executive Committee.

The session will continue tomorrow.—A. P.

SALES OF TREASURY BILLS

Tenders for Rs. four crores of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills were opened on Tuesday the 26th March 1944. Total amount offered was Rs. 5,94,75,000 (Rupees five crores ninety-four lakhs seventy-five thousand only). Tenders at Rs. 99/13 and above were accepted in full and those at Rs. 99/12/9 allotted approximately 61 per cent. Total amount accepted was Rs. four crores, the average rate of accepted tenders being Re. 0/12/9 per cent per annum.

Tenders for Rs. four crores of three months' Governmeent of India Treasury Bills will be received on Tuesday the 4th April, 1944 in Bombay upto 11 a.m. (S.T.) and upto the close of business on Monday the 3rd April 1944 at other centres. Successful tenderers should make payment on Thursday the 6th April, 1944. Other conditions are as usual.

During the week ended 24th March 1944, Government of India Treasury Bills for Rs. 2,31,50,000—(Rupees two crores thirty-one lakhs fifty thousand only) were sold in favour of the Issue Department of the Reserve Bank of India.

HAPUR MARKETS

HAPUR, March 24.

FOOD GRAINS: Government retail grain shops have been opened which are selling wheat at Rs. 10/10/6 and gram at Rs. 8/0/0 per maund. Supplies to any individual will be limited to Rs 4/-/- worth of any one cereal at a time market prices which were hitherto much higher will steadily decline to these levels. Other food grain prices are almost unchanged at last week's levels. Whether during the week has been very unkind and substantial damage to standing crops is reported from Eastern districts. In this area also harvesting is being delayed Current quotations for coarse grains are as follows: Barley Rs 6/6/6; Peas new Rs. 6/6/6 Bajra Rs. 6/10/6 and Maize Rs. 7/10/0 Harvesting of peas has begun

ST. GEORGE HOSPITAL JANITOR ON CHEATING CHARGE

Alleged To Have Received Rs. 150 From Patient

BOMBAY Tuesday

For alleged cheating in respect of Rs. 150, S. A. H. MacMurtie, a Janitor in the St. George's Hospital was arrested on Monday by the Bombay City Police.

It was stated in court that the arrested man is alleged to have received the above amount from a private patient in the hospital and instead of furnishing the account to the Hospital steward he resigned his post and left.

Placed to-day before Mr Oscar H. Brown, Chief Presidency Magistrate Esplanade Court, he was ordered to be remanded for a week.

Ship Waiter Fined

BOMBAY Tuesday.

"For giving information likely to assist the enemy", Pedro Filepe Fernandes a waiter on a ship was arrested under the Defence of India Rules on Monday by the Special Branch of the Bombay C.I.D.

It appears that the accused wrote a letter in Portuguese to his wife in Goa on March 11. In the letter he mentioned that he had secured a job on a ship and added the name and sailing date of the ship. The letter was intercepted by the authorities and the accused was subsequently arrested.

He was placed to-day before Mr. Oscar. H. Brown, Chief Presidency Magistrate Esplanade Police Court where he was sentenced to pay a fine of Rs. 100 in default to undergo one month's R. I.

The Magistrate took a lenient view of the matter on the accused's plea that he was ignorant of the rules.

All-Assam Journalists' Conference

At the first session of the All-Assam Journalists' Conference to be held at Opera Hall, Shillong on March 29 and 30, Mr. T. K. Ghosh, Editor, "A.B. Patrika" and Member, Standing Committee, All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference, will preside over the proceedings which will be opened by Mr. B. Sen Gupta, Managing Editor, "United Press of India" and President, All-India Journalists' Association, Calcutta.

Aga Khan Hockey

DEOLALI SUCCUMB TO G. I. P. HDQRS.

The meeting of the G.I.P. Railway Headquarters, the League Champions and Deolali in the first round of the Aga Khan Hockey Tournament produced fast and keen hockey on Tuesday. Although the Railway won by the substantial margin of three goals to nil, the visitors put up a strenuous fight till the end Munir did the hat-trick scoring twice in the initial moiety

TO-DAY'S GAME

6-15 P.M. Prakash Club, Kirkee vs. Muslim S.C., Nagpur.

Bengal Team For Ranji Trophy Match

CALCUTTA, March 28.

Sixteen Bengal players will make the trip to Bombay on April 2 for the final of the Ranji Trophy against the Western Indian States Cricket Association.

The Bengal 11 will be selected from among them. The 16 players are:—

Maharaja of Cooch Behar (Captain), K. Bhattacharjee, S. Banerjee, N. Chatterjee, A. Chatterjee, P. B. Dutta, Dhruba Das, A. Deb, S. Dutt, A. Garbis, A. Jabbar, B. Mitter, S. Mustafi, M. Sen, P. Sen and P. Surita.

The final of the Ranji Trophy will commence at the Brabourne Stadium, Bombay, on April 7.—A. P.

Plight Of Cows & Buffalos At Nathdwara

Mr. Haridas Mulji Uddeshi, a well-known figure in the activities of cow-welfare has drawn the attention of the authorities at Nathdwara, viz. Adhikari, Shri Krishna Bhandar and Munsif Saheb of Mathdwara, to the carelessness and indifference exhibited towards the upkeep and feeding of cows of Shree Nathdwara Nathuwas and Shalor Gaushalas. Where dry grass is not at all given to the cows.

Government House News

BOMBAY, March 28.

The Governor of Bombay accompanies by his personal staff returned from tour.

The Goveernor of Bombay entertained the Chairman and Members of the Red Cross Week Committee at Government House.

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Mica Mining & Trading Co. of India Ltd.	25 0 0	100 0 0 (7% Cumulative)	2 8 0	10% and 7% for 1942 and 10% and 7% for 1943 on Ordinary and Preference shares.
Lebong & Mineral Spring Tea Co., Ltd.	10 0 0	100 0 0 (6% Cumulative)	X	New Issue; good dividend expected on the workings upto 31st December 1943. Estates were purchased from Messrs. James Finlay and Co., Ltd. of Great Britain at the cost of Rs. 6,65,000/-; estimated crop 2500 in 1944.
Central Tipperah Tea Co., Ltd.	10 0 0	X	X	5% for 1940, 10% for 1941 and 10% for 1942.
Lohar Valley Tea Co., Ltd.	25 0 0	X	X	6% for 1941 and 6% for 1942.
Land Trust of India Ltd.	10 0 0	X	X	6% for 1941 and 6% for 1942.
Hindusthan Laboratories, Ltd.	25 0 0	X	X	6% for 1941 and 6% for 1942.
Aryan Silk & Cotton Mills Ltd.	50 0 0	X	1 0 0	New Issue; shares still available.

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S. D. H.—No. 4.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE

THE NEW GREAT EASTERN S. & W. CO., LTD.

LOSS OF SHARE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that one Ordinary Share No. 6349 of Rs. 200|- fully paid of the above Company standing in the name of Shah Lalji Dharamsey is either LOST or MISLAID. Any person claiming any interest in the said share is requested to notify the same within one month hereof at the Registered Office of the said Company, Royal Insurance Building, 12|14, Churchgate Street, Fort, Bombay, as an application for issuing a duplicate Share Certificate has been made by me.

(Sd.) SHAH LALJI DHARAMSEY.
Bombay, 27-3-1944.
(8271)

NOTICE TO P. J. HINDU GYMKHANA MEMBERS

RECEPTION TO MR. VIJAY M. MERCHANT

MEMBERS of the P. J. Hindu Gymkhana are hereby cordially invited to attend the RECEPTION in honour of Mr. Vijay M. Merchant for his brilliant batting performances during 1943, to be held at the Blavatsky Lodge Hall, French Bridge, Chowpatty, on SUNDAY, 2ND APRIL, 1944, at 6-15 P.M. (S. T.)

BHOGILAL C. SHAH,
KAMALAKANT G. LOHANA,
Jt. Hon. Secretaries,
P. J. Hindu Gymkhana.
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THE HINDUSTHAN MERCANTILE BANK, LTD.

NOTICE

IT IS NOTIFIED HEREBY that as announced in the prospectus advertisement appearing in the "Bombay Chronicle" of 25th March, 1944, the Board of Directors have decided to discontinue accepting the applications for shares of the above Bank as from the evening of 28th instant in view of the receipt of the sufficient number of applications.

By Order of the Board,
SECRETARY,
The Hindusthan Mercantile Bank, Ltd.

Bombay, 28-3-1944.
(8289)

NOTICE

Applications for the following posts are invited by the Controller of Government Grain Shops, Council Hall, Bombay.

(1) TEMPORARY INSPECTORS on Rs. 120|- per month. Qualification: Graduates.
(2) CASHIERS on Rs. 60|- per month. Qualification: Matriculation. A cash deposit of Rs. 400|- is required.

Dearness allowance of Rs. 14|- per month in both cases.

Those domiciled in the Bombay Province only need apply.
(8164)

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

APPOINTMENT OF A JUNIOR LEGAL ASSISTANT

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the post of a Junior Legal Assistant to the Bombay Municipality. The applicant must be a practising Solicitor of at least 7 years standing. The pay of the post is Rs. 450-25-725, and the selected candidate will be required to serve wholetime and will not be allowed private practice. He will be on probation for one year in the first instance and confirmed thereafter if his work is found to be satisfactory. He will be entitled to the benefits of the Municipal Leave and Provident Fund Regulations.

Applications stating age, nationality, qualifications, previous experience etc. should be submitted so as to reach the undersigned on or before 17th April, 1944. Copies of testimonials and certificates of age and physical fitness should be forwarded with the applications in the prescribed forms to be obtained from the Office of the Municipal Commissioner on payment of annas eight each.

Canvassing directly or indirectly will disqualify the applicant.

M. D. BHAT,
Municipal Commissioner.
Municipal Offices, Bombay.
Dated, 18th March '44.
8205

ROYAL INDIAN NAVY

VACANCIES EXIST for civilian female typists (Lower Division Clerks) in the grade Rs. 50-3-80-4-120, commencing at Rs. 59 per mensem, plus Dearness Allowance of (at present) Rs. 14 per mensem.

Applicants should apply for a test at the address given below, between the hours of 12 noon and 2 p.m. or 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. on March 29th, 30th or 31st.

BASE ACCOUNTANT OFFICER,
Royal Indian Navy,
Gorund Floor, Vithal House,
Mint Road, BOMBAY.
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(8264)

632. MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

For Sale, Sovereign Gold Ring set with Navarathna Rs. 60, send your size to Jaganath's, 236, Chinabazar Road, Madras. 4491

PUBLIC NOTICES

G. I. P. RAILWAY

REVISION OF TIME TABLES

A NEW TIME TABLE will come into force from 1st April, 1944. For timings please see sheet time tables exhibited at all important stations on and from 1-4-1944. Copies of the new Time Table will be available from principal Booking Offices or Bookstalls. Details of changes can be obtained in advance from Station Masters.
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THE BOMBAY FIRE & GENERAL INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

(Incorporated in India)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the NINTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, United India Life Building, Sir Pherozshah Mehta Road, Fort, Bombay, on Friday, the 14th April 1944, at 2-45 P.M. (S.T.) to transact the following business:—

1. To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and Audited Revenue Accounts, Profit and Loss Account and Balance Sheet for the year ending 31st December 1943.
2. To elect Directors in place of Messrs. Shapoorji Pallonjee Mistry and M. A. Fazalbhoy who retire under Article 95 of the Articles of Association and being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.
3. To appoint Auditors for the Current year and to fix their remuneration.

The Share Transfer Register of the Company will be closed from 30th March to 14th April 1944 (both days inclusive).

By Order of the Board,
M. M. MUNDKUR,
Manager.

Bombay, 17th March, 1944.
(8274)

PUBLIC NOTICE

HOLDERS OF ALL LICENCES for textile machinery, spare parts and essential mill stores falling under Serial Nos. 4 and 5 of Part III of the schedule annexed to Commerce Department's Notification No. 23-ITC/43 dated the 1st July 1943, which are valid for shipment up to the 30th June 1944, are informed that where shipment is not made against the licences before the date of expiry the licences will stand automatically revalidated to cover shipments made in the period July-December 1944.

2. It will not be necessary to return the licences to the issuing authorities for formal revalidation.

P. CHAUDHURI,
Dy. Chief Controller of Imports.
Bombay, the 28th March 1944.
8285

NOTICE

NOTICE HAVING BEEN GIVEN of the loss of Policy No. 26152 of the East and West Insurance Company, Ltd., Bombay on the life of Mr. Dwarkadas Meghji the duplicate Policy will be issued unless objection is lodged with us within a fort-night from this date.

For East & West Insurance Co, Ltd.
C. S. VYAS,
Secretary.
8283

NOTICE

IMPORTERS OF AMERICAN EXPOSED FILMS, WHO IMPORTED DURING PERIOD 1/9/38 TO 31/8/39 OR POSSESSING IMPORT LICENCES, DESIROUS TO BUY LATEST PRODUCTIONS ARE REQUESTED TO COMMUNICATE WITH—KHUSHIRAM TARACHAND, P. B. NO. 52, KARACHI.
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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that BHAGWANDAS MANMOHANDAS RAMJI, of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant as Managing Trustee has contracted to sell to our clients the undermentioned property:

ALL persons having any claim, interest or demand whatsoever against in or upon the said property or any part thereof by way of sale, exchange, gift, inheritance, mortgage, lease, lien, charge, trust, easements, maintenance, share, possession or otherwise howsoever in the said property or any part thereof are hereby required to give Notice thereof in writing to the undersigned at their Office at No. 65, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof; failing which the sale will be completed without reference to any such claim howsoever and the same (if any) shall be deemed as waived or abandoned

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

ALL that piece of land with three chawls standing thereon situate, lying and being at Siri Road, Malabar Hill, admeasuring about 300 (Three hundred) square yards or thereabouts and bearing New Survey No. 1/1295 Cadastral Survey No. 379 and part of 377 of Malabar Hill and Cumballa Hill Division and bearing Municipal D Ward Nos. 3362 (1) 3363(1-2), 3364(1) 3364 (2) and Old Street Nos. 8, 9B, 10 and 9 and New Street Nos. 27A, 27B, 27C and 27D.

Dated this 27th day of March, 1944.

MOHILE & PAREKH,
Purchasers' Attorneys.
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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that CHANDULAL VARDHMAN SHAH, who has agreed to purchase the undermentioned property from MAHOMEDALLI RAJABALLI, ALI AKBAR RAJABALLI, HOOSEINALLY MOOSABHOY VISHRAM and KHWAJA NAZIR AHMED, the Executors of the last Will of Cassim Ali Jerajbhai has in his turn agreed to sell the undermentioned property to our clients.

ALL persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their office at Yusuf Building, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Fort, Bombay, within fourteen days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without any reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

ALL that piece or parcel of land or ground of the Foras Tenure with the messuage, tenements, stables and other structures standing thereon situate, lying and being on the West side of Arthur Road in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay in the Island of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 16201 Square Yards or thereabouts and being a portion of the larger plot of land admeasuring 20314 Square Yards and which is registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old Nos. 144, 145, 146, 147, 148 and 149, New Nos. 13652, B|13653, Old Survey No. nil, New Survey Nos. 1|3397 and 2|3397, Cadastral Survey No. 343 (part) of Tardeo Division and in the Books of the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under D Ward Nos. 3886 (1B), 3886(1C), 3886(1D), 3886(1), 3686(1A), 3886(2) and Street Nos. 492C, 492B, 492A, 420B, 420C, 420E, 420A, 420F, 420G and 36 to 40 and bounded as follows, that is to say, on or towards the East by Arthur Road, on or towards the West partly by the property of Lady Nawazbai Rutton Tata and others and partly by the property of Perojshaw Pestonji Narielwalla and others, on or towards the North partly by the property of Chimanlal Damoderdas Tapidas and partly by the property of Lady Nawazbai Rutton Tata and others and on or towards the South partly by the property of Ahmed Sulleman Moti and others and partly by the property of Cassim Ali Jerajbhai Trust.

Dated this 28th day of March, 1944.

MALVI RANCHHODDAS & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
(8245)

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that JEHANGIR EDULJI GHAMAT, of Bombay Parsi Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property or any part thereof by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their office at Ebrahim Building, 6, Bell Lane, Fort, Bombay, within fourteen days from the date hereof.

All other claims, if any, which are not received will be considered as null, void and waived and the purchase will be completed without reference to any such claim.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

All that piece or parcel of Pension and Tax Land or ground (redeemed) forming portion of a larger piece of land with the building standing thereon consisting of a ground floor and three upper floors each floor having five tenements standing thereon situate lying and being at Gokhale Road (North) Dadar, outside the Fort of Bombay in the island and Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 880 square yards be the same littlemore or less and registered in the Books of the Collector and Land Revenue under New Survey No. 1587 part Cadastral Survey No. 1|323 of Mahim Division and in the Books of Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under G Ward No. 4419 (1), New Street No. 36 and bounded as follows: that is to say, on or towards the North by the compound wall of the property hereby agreed to be sold and beyond it by the properties of Anant Raghunath Patil and others, on or towards the South partly by the compound wall of the property agreed to be sold and beyond it by the property of Gopinath Janardan Mhatre, on or towards the East partly by the compound wall and chowk of the Vendor and beyond it by the property of the Vendor and partly by the Gokhale Road, (North) on or towards the West by the compound wall of the property agreed to be sold and beyond it by the land of Bai Radhabai, widow of Dharamji Ganu Mayekar.

Dated this 28th day of March, 1944.

SATYENDRA C. MAPARA.
For Messrs. Lakhia & Co.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
(8282)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that KANTILAL SARUPCHAND, BABUBHAI SARUPCHAND and JAYANTILAL THAKORDAS, of Bombay Hindu Inhabitants have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our clients.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property of howsoever nature are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Hamam House, Hamam Street, Fort, Bombay within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY:—

All that piece or parcel of Freehold land or ground with the messuage, tenement or dwelling house standing thereon, situate, lying and being at Fofalwadi near Mumbadevi, outside the Fort of Bombay in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay in the Island of Bombay containing by admeasurement 125 Square Yards or thereabouts and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 61, New No. 587, Old Survey No. 61, New Survey No. 507, Cadastral Survey No. 1680, Bhuleshwar Division and in the Books of the Collector of Municipal rates and taxes under C Ward No. 5794 and Street No. 5.

Dated this 25th day of March, 1944.

C. M. PATEL,
For M|s. Amin Desai & Nanavati,
Purchasers' Attorneys.
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AUCTION SALES

AUCTION SALE OF 256 DOZEN POTS MODERN BRUSHLESS SHAVING CREAM.

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EXPORT AND IMPOR BANS

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BOMBAY CITY AND THE BOMBAY SUBURBAN DISTRICT		MBAY PROVINCE*
EXPORT.	IMPORT.	EXPORT.
1. Jowar; Jowar flour. 2 Bajri; Bajri flour. 3. Rice; Paddy; Rice products. 4. Wheat; Wheat flour atta; maida; rava; soji; and any other wheat products. 5. Barley; Barley in husk; Barley flour; Barley Bran. 6. Baker's Bread or loaf. 7. Maize and Maize products. 8. Gram; Gramdal and Gram flour. 9. Tur; Turdal. 10. All pulses (whole and splits) and their products. (i.e. kurma, chuni and chhalla). 11. Foodstuffs (By sea only). 12. Sugar. 13. Gur. 14. Hay. 15. Cotton Seeds. 16. Cocoanut oil. 17. Copra cake (By sea only). 18. Copra. 19. Charcoal. 20. Kerosene. 21. Matches. 22. Tea. 23. Potatoes. 24. Cotton piece-goods; silk piece-goods, artificial silk piece-goods and all kinds of yarn (By sea only). 25. Vegetable oil cakes. 26. Fluid milk (from Bombay City, Bombay Suburban District and part of the Thana Mahal encircled by the Bassein-Thana creek).	1. Wheat; Wheat products (atta, maida, rava, soji and bran). 2. Rice; Rice flour and rice in husk. 3. Jowar; Jowar flour. 4. Bajri; Bajri flour. 5. Baker's bread or loaf. 6. Barley, Barley in husk; Barley flour and Barley Bran. 7. Sugar. 8. Cotton. 9. Hay (By rail from Thana and Surat Districts).	Wheat. Rice. Jowar. Bajri. Pulses. Barley. Maize. Ragi. } and their products. . Cotton including cotton seeds (i.e. unginned cotton). . Soap (By sea only). . Sugar. . Gur, (except to Deccan States). . Groundnuts (in shell) and Groundnut seeds. . Vegetable oil cakes. 5. Cocoanut oil. 6. Charcoal. 7. Wood fuel. 8. Tea. 9. Groundnut oil. 0. Ghee. 1. Cotton seeds. 2. Onions.

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